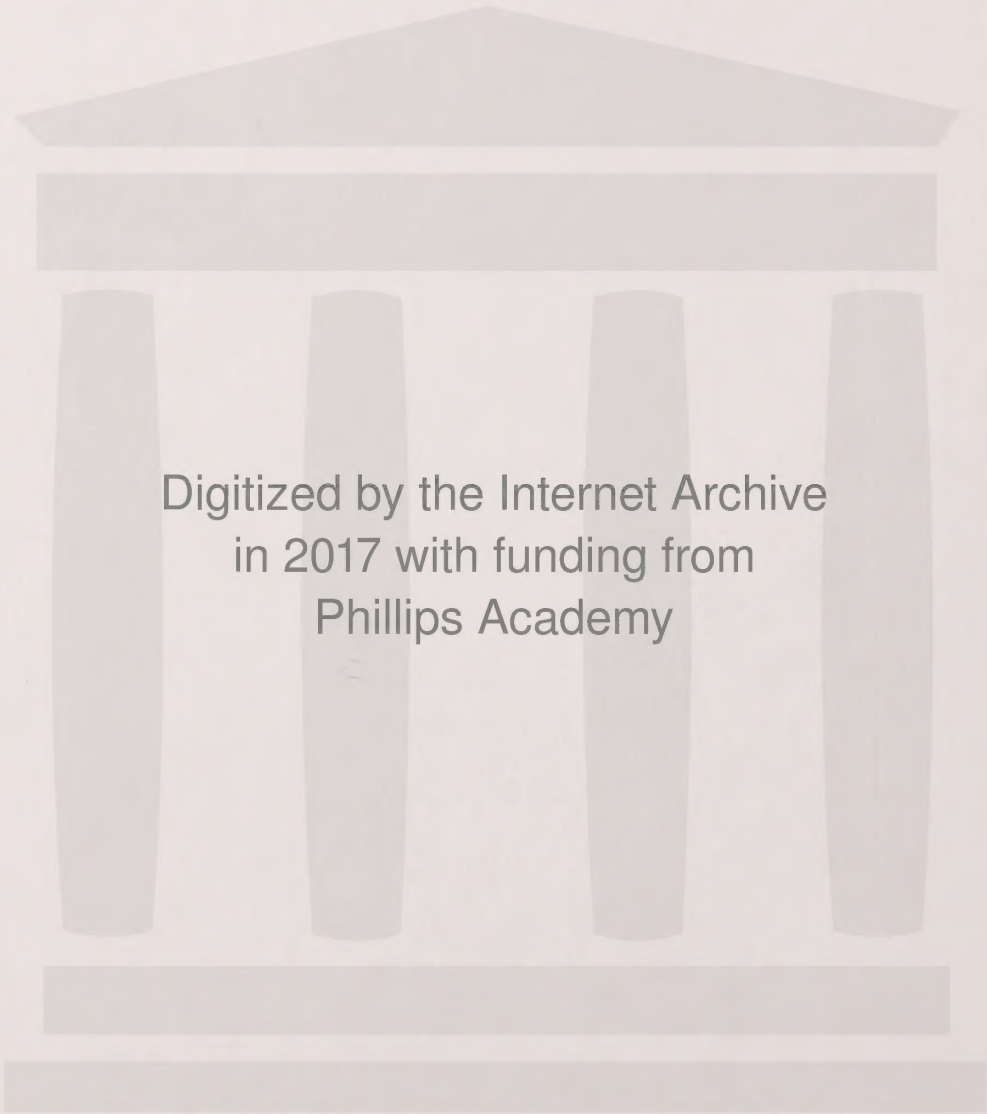
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Wednesday, September 11

Soccer GV	Milton	3:15	A	Game
Soccer BV	**Noble & Greenough**	**3:30**	**H**	**Scrim**
Field Hockey V	Tilton	3:30	A	Scrim
Football V	BB&N	3:30	A	Scrim

Saturday, September 14

Volleyball GV	Taft/Hotchkiss/PEA	1:15	A	

Monday, September 16

Field Hockey V	**Thayer**	**4:30**	**H**	
Soccer BV	St. Paul's	4:45	A	Game
Soccer GV	**Rivers**	**5:30**	**H**	**Game**

Tuesday, September 17

Volleyball GJV	**Central Catholic**	**4:00**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	**Central Catholic**	**4:00**	**H**	

Wednesday, September 18

Soccer BV	Brooks	3:00	A	Game
Soccer GJV1	Groton	3:00	A	
Field Hockey V	**Lawrence Academy**	**3:15**	**H**	**Game**
Soccer BJV1	Milton	3:15	A	
Soccer GV	Middlesex	3:15	A	Game
Water Polo BV	**Exeter**	**3:15**	**H**	
Water Polo BJV	**Exeter**	**4:30**	**H**	

Friday, September 20

Field Hockey V	**Loomis**	**7:00**	**H**	

Saturday, September 21

Cross Country GV	Codfish Bowl	11:00	A	
Field Hockey JV1	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer BJV1	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer BJV2	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer GV	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer GJV1	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Soccer GJV2	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	**Scrim**
Volleyball GV	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Volleyball GJV	**Loomis**	**3:00**	**H**	
Football V	**Loomis**	**3:30**	**H**	
Water Polo BV	DR/Williston/Brunswick	4:30	A	

Wednesday, September 25

Field Hockey JV2	**Groton**	**3:30**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	St. Paul's	3:30	A	
Volleyball GJV	St. Paul's	3:30	A	
Football JV1	Cushing	4:15	A	
Soccer BV	Holderness	4:30	A	

Friday, September 27

Soccer BJV2	**Andover HS**	**3:45**	**H**	
Soccer BJV3	**Pike School**	**3:45**	**H**	
Field Hockey V	Brooks	4:30	A	
Soccer GV	BB&N	4:45	A	
Soccer GJV1	BB&N	4:45	A	

Saturday, September 28

Field Hockey V	Tabor	1:45	A	
Soccer BV	Tabor	1:45	A	
Soccer BJV1	Tabor	1:45	A	
Water Polo BV	Williston/Hotchkiss	2:00	A	
Football V	Kent	2:30	A	
Field Hockey JV1	Tabor	3:15	A	
Soccer GV	Tabor	3:45	A	
Soccer GJV1	Tabor	3:45	A	
Volleyball GV	NMH	4:15	A	
Volleyball GJV	NMH	4:15	A	

Wednesday, October 2

Field Hockey V	Governor's Academy	3:00	A	
Volleyball GJV	Exeter	3:15	A	
Field Hockey JV2	**Andover HS**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer GJV2	Milton	3:30	A	
Football JV1	**St John's Prep**	**3:45**	**H**	
Soccer BJV3	**Brookwood School**	**3:45**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**Bridgton Academy**	**4:00**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV1	Governor's Academy	4:30	A	

Thursday, October 3

Field Hockey JV2	**Andover HS**	**3:30**	**H**	

Saturday, October 5

Cross Country BV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Cross Country GV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Field Hockey V	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV1	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV2	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer BJV1	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer BJV2	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer GV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer GJV1	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Soccer GJV2	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Volleyball GJV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Water Polo BJV	**Choate**	**4:45**	**H**	
Water Polo BV	**Choate**	**6:00**	**H**	
Football BV	**Choate**	**7:00**	**H**	

Monday, October 7

Volleyball GJV	**Andover HS**	**3:45**	**H**	**Scrim**
Volleyball GV	**Andover HS**	**3:45**	**H**	**Scrim**

Tuesday, October 8

Soccer BJV2	**Andover HS**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer BJV3	**Central Catholic**	**4:00**	**H**	

Wednesday, October 9

Field Hockey V	**Milton**	**3:00**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV2	Winsor	3:00	A	
Soccer GV	Brooks	3:00	A	
Soccer GJV1	Brooks	3:00	A	
Soccer GJV2	Brooks	3:00	A	
Football JV1	**Thayer**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**Winchendon**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer BJV1	**Andover HS**	**3:30**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	BB&N	3:30	A	
Volleyball GJV	BB&N	3:30	A	
Cross Country BJV	St. Paul's	3:30	A	
Cross Country BV	St. Paul's	4:00	A	
Field Hockey JV1	**Milton**	**4:15**	**H**	
Cross Country GV	St. Paul's	4:30	A	

Friday, October 11

Soccer BV	Exeter	4:30	A	
Soccer BJV1	Brooks	4:30	A	
Soccer BJV2	Brooks	4:30	A	
Soccer GJV2	Brooks	4:30	A	

Saturday, October 12

Field Hockey V	**St. Paul's**	**2:30**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV2	**Berwick Academy**	**2:30**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**Tilton**	**2:30**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	Dana Hall	2:30	A	
Football V	Cushing	3:00	A	
Soccer GJV1	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**	
Water Polo BV	Loomis/Hopkins	3:15	A	
Field Hockey JV1	**St. Paul's**	**4:15**	**H**	
Soccer GV	**St. Paul's**	**6:00**	**H**	

Monday, October 14

Soccer BV	**Milton**	**3:45**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	Central Catholic	4:15	A	

Wednesday, October 16

Soccer GV	Governor's Academy	3:00	A	
Soccer GJV1	Governor's Academy	3:00	A	
Volleyball GV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**	
Volleyball GJV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**	
Water Polo BV	**Suffield**	**3:00**	**H**	
Field Hockey V	Middlesex	3:15	A	
Soccer BJV2	Belmont Hill	3:15	A	
Field Hockey JV1	Middlesex	4:30	A	

Friday, October 18

Field Hockey JV2	**Pike School**	**3:45**	**H**	
Soccer BJV3	**Pike School**	**3:45**	**H**	
Soccer GJV2	**Groton**	**4:30**	**H**	
Soccer BV	**NMH**	**6:00**	**H**	

Saturday, October 19

Cross Country GV	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Field Hockey V	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV1	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Football JV1	**Central Catholic**	**2:00**	**H**	
Soccer BJV1	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Soccer BJV2	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Soccer GV	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Soccer GJV1	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Soccer GJV2	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Volleyball GJV	**NMH**	**2:00**	**H**	
Cross Country BV	**NMH**	**2:30**	**H**	
Water Polo BV	**St. John's Prep**	**2:45**	**H**	
Cross Country BJV	**NMH**	**3:00**	**H**	
Water Polo BJV	**St. John's Prep**	**4:00**	**H**	
Football V	**NMH**	**4:30**	**H**	

Wednesday, October 23

Field Hockey JV2	Groton	3:00	A	
Field Hockey V	**BB&N**	**3:15**	**H**	
Field Hockey JV1	**BB&N**	**3:15**	**H**	
Soccer BV	Cushing	3:30	A	
Soccer BJV1	Cushing	3:30	A	
Soccer BJV3	**Groton**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer GV	**Thayer**	**3:30**	**H**	
Soccer GJV1	**Thayer**	**3:30**	**H**	
Volleyball GV	Milton	3:30	A	
Water Polo BJV	**St. John's Prep**	**3:30**	**H**	

Thursday, October 24

Soccer BJV2	**Andover HS**	**3:45**	**H**	

Saturday, October 26

Field Hockey JV2	Deerfield	2:00	A	
Soccer BJV2	Deerfield	2:00	A	
Soccer BJV3	Deerfield	2:00	A	
Soccer GJV2	Deerfield	2:00	A	
Cross Country GV	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Field Hockey V	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Field Hockey JV1	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Soccer BV	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Soccer BJV1	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Soccer GV	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Soccer GJV1	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Water Polo BJV	Deerfield	3:15	A	
Football JV1	Deerfield	3:30	A	
Volleyball GV	Deerfield	3:30	A	
Volleyball GJV	Deerfield	3:30	A	
Cross Country BV	Deerfield	3:45	A	
Football V	Deerfield	3:45	A	
Cross Country BJV	Deerfield	4:15	A	
Cross Country GJV	Deerfield	4:15	A	
Water Polo BV	Deerfield	4:30	A	

Wednesday, October 30

Field Hockey V	**Noble & Greenough**	**3:00**	**H**
Field Hockey JV2	**Pike School**	**3:00**	**H**
Soccer BV	**Worcester**	**3:00**	**H**
Soccer BJV1	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**
Soccer BJV2	Brooks	3:00	A
Soccer GJV2	**Pike School**	**3:00**	**H**
Volleyball GV	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**
Volleyball GJV	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**
Soccer GV	**Noble & Greenough**	**3:15**	**H**
Soccer GJV1	**Noble & Greenough**	**3:15**	**H**
Water Polo BV	Exeter	3:15	A
Football JV1	St. Sebastian's	3:30	A
Soccer BJV3	**St. John's Prep**	**3:45**	**H**
Water Polo BJV	Exeter	4:15	A
Field Hockey JV1	**Noble & Greenough**	**4:30**	**H**

Friday, November 1

Soccer BJV1	**St. John's Prep**	**3:45**	**H**
Soccer GV	**Lawrence Academy**	**5:30**	**H**

Saturday, November 2

Cross Country GV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Soccer GV	Pingree	3:00	A
Field Hockey V	**Cushing**	**3:15**	**H**
Cross Country BV	**Exeter**	**3:30**	**H**
Cross Country GJV	**Exeter**	**4:00**	**H**
Cross Country BJV	**Exeter**	**4:30**	**H**
Football V	**Worcester**	**6:00**	**H**
Soccer BV	KUA	6:00	A

Wednesday, November 6

Soccer BV	**New Hampton**	**2:30**	**H**
Field Hockey JV1	**Exeter**	**2:45**	**H**
Field Hockey JV2	**Brooks**	**2:45**	**H**
Soccer BJV1	**Exeter**	**2:45**	**H**
Soccer GJV1	**Exeter**	**2:45**	**H**
Soccer GV	Worcester	3:00	A
Volleyball GJV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Water Polo BV	Tournament Play-In	4:00	A
Football JV1	**Exeter**	**4:30**	**H**

Friday, November 8

Intramural Soccer	**Championship**	**5:30**	**H**

Saturday, November 9

Water Polo BV	Interschols	10:00	A
Soccer BV	Exeter	10:30	A
Volleyball GV	Exeter	11:00	A
Field Hockey V	Exeter	12:00	A
Soccer GV	Exeter	12:30	A
Cross Country BV	**Interschols**	**1:30**	**H**
Cross Country GV	**Interschols**	**1:30**	**H**
Football V	Exeter	2:30	A

Sunday, November 10

Volleyball GV	ALL-STAR	11:00	A

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Team Results Fall 2013

Cross Country BV	2-4-0	
Cross Country GV	5-1-0	
Field Hockey GV	11-4-1	
Football BV	9-0-0	New England Champions
Soccer BV	13-1-5	
Soccer GV	7-8-3	
Volleyball GV	8-7-0	
Water Polo BV	10-4-0	New England Champions

Sport: Boys Varsity Cross Country

Year: 2013

Captain: Scott Diekema

Coach: Jeff Domina

Assistant Coaches: Dan Schneider, Patrick Rielly

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LETTER WINNERS

Blaine, Logan
Burnett, Thomas
Diekema, Scott
Fischetti, Matthew
Gorton, John
Gottlich, H. Chase
Lee, Daniel
Lee, Maxwell
McGovern, Paul
McIntosh, Ethan
Peffer, Jacob
Skinner, Ralph
Sundaram, Kailash
Swett, Jordan
Tracey, D. Henry
Venigalla, Abhinav
Whittall, Ian

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Cross Country Boys
2013 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown	Name	Year	Hometown
Arya, Tejasv	2015	Morrisville, NC	Leibovitz, Alexander	2016	New York, NY
Belser, Noah	2016	State College, PA	McGovern, Paul	2015	Methuen, MA
Bishop, Sebastian	2017	Andover, MA	McIntosh, Ethan	2015	Lexington, MA
Blaine, Logan	2014	Old Greenwich, CT	Newman, Jared	2015	New York, NY
Boyle, Michael	2014	Peabody, MA	Park, JongHo	2016	Seoul, KOR
Burnett, Thomas	2015	Bedford, MA	Peffer, Jacob	2017	Andover, MA
Diekema, Scott*	2014	Iowa City, IA	Pena, Joel Anthony	2016	Princeton, NJ
Doran, Arthur	2015	Natick, MA	Reid, William	2015	New Canaan, CT
Emerson, Alexander	2017	Manchester, MA	Robert, BrianPaul	2016	North Reading, MA
Feigenbaum, Thomas	2015	Andover, MA	Safwan, Samir	2016	Lynnfield, MA
Fischetti, Matthew	2014	Groton, MA	Sherr, Bennett	2017	Princeton Junction, NJ
Golkari, Sina	2015	Swampscott, MA	Skinner, Ralph	2016	Lowell, MA
Gorton, John	2015	New York, NY	Sundaram, Kailash	2015	Andover, MA
Gottlich, Harrison	2014	Ormond Beach, FL	Swett, Jordan	2015	Littleton, MA
Hyde, Paxton	2015	Burlington, VT	Tracey, Dennis	2015	Weston, CT
Jonas, Avery	2016	Brooklyn, NY	Vardar, Cem	2015	Istanbul, TUR
Kakkar, Keton	2015	Port Washington, NY	Venigalla, Abhinav	2015	Lakeland, FL
Lee, Daniel	2014	Plano, TX	Vitale, Tevis	2016	Bozeman, MT
Lee, Maxwell	2015	North Reading, MA	Whittall, Ian	2014	Guilford, CT

*Captain

Coaches: Jeff Domina, Patrick Rielly, Dan Schneider

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/28 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H. Invitational		Tournament	2nd out of 7
10/5 @ 5:25 PM	Choate	H	Game	L 32-25
10/9 @ 4:00 PM	St. Paul's/Exeter		Game	
10/9 @ 4:00 PM	St. Paul's and Exeter		Game	L 33-23, 36-20
10/19 @ 2:30 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 26-33
10/19 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	
10/26 @ 4:00 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 15-50
10/26 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield		Game	
11/2 @ 3:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 34-24
11/2 @ 4:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	
11/9 @ 1:30 PM	Interschols		Championship	2nd out of 14

Highlights

N.M.H. Invitational

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 11:00 AM		Tournament		2nd out of 7

Boys' XC opens season with strong races at N.M.H. Invitational

The N.M.H. Invitational was a great first meet for the Andover boys. With 2nd-places finishes in both the varsity and JV races, there was a lot to be excited about in the team results as well as the individual results on this gorgeous autumn day. In the varsity race, following the brilliant Mohamed Hussein '14 of N.M.H., who ran a blazing 16:38 on his home course, Andover front-runner Ian Whittall '14 placed 2nd overall with a time of 16:49, ahead of Exeter's 1st finisher, and Andover's Ethan McIntosh '15 finished 6th overall with a time of 17:27, between Exeter's 3rd and 4th. Captain Scott Diekema '14 and Paul McGovern '15 finished in 18:06 and 18:08, respectively, and were followed by Kailash Sundaram '15 in 18:59, Tom Burnett '15 in 19:23, Chase Gottlich '14 in 19:45, and John Gorton '15 in 19:47.

The highlight of the JV race was the sharp 2nd-place finish by Ralph Skinner '16, who ran a 19:13. The JV race also featured Andover runners Daniel Lee '14, Jordan Swett '15, Samir Safwan '16, Logan Blaine '14, Abhinav Venigalla '15, and Avery Jonas '16--great races all around.

We're looking forward to racing Choate at home on Saturday.

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 1:25 PM	H	Game		32-25

Boys' XC can't get past a strong Choate pack

It was a beautiful day for our first home race of the season, and the Andover boys ran well--many of them very, very well. The Choate boys, however, were the stronger team today and dashed to a decisive win.

Andover's Ian Whittall '14 won the varsity race in a smokin' 16:23, and Ethan McIntosh '15 passed Choate's number one on the Great Lawn to finish 2nd in an excellent PR time of 16:34. The Choate pack took 3rd through 8th--in a mere 34-second spread!--before Paul McGovern '15 and captain Scott Diekema '14 finished 3rd and 4th for Andover in 17:22 and 17:25, respectively. Kailash Sundaram '15 ran 17:50; Tom Burnett '15, 18:01 (a happy-birthday PR!); Chase Gottlich '14, 18:16, and Matt Fischetti '14, John Gorton '15, and Ralph Skinner '16, all 18:17.

Daniel Lee '14 ran an 18:07 to place 3rd in the JV race and was followed by Jordan Swett '15 in 18:44, Jake Peffer '17 in 18:45, Abhinav Venigalla '15 in 18:58, Logan Blaine '14 in 19:06, Noah Belser '16 in 19:16, and Max Lee '15 in 19:42. The big JV field was completed by Paxton Hyde '15, Avery Jonas '16, Alex Emerson '17, Tevis Vitale '16, Alex Leibovitz '16, BrianPaul Robert '16, JongHo Park '16, Tom Feigenbaum '15, and Will Reid '15.

We're looking forward to a tri-meet with St. Paul's and Exeter, at St. Paul's, on Wednesday.

St. Paul's and Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 12:00 PM		Game	St. Paul's	33-23, 36-20

Varsity boys slip behind St. Paul's and Exeter

Ian Whittall '14 led the front-runners of a strong field from Andover, Exeter, and St. Paul's and won today's varsity tri-meet in a time of 16:21, just ten seconds short of the course record. Ethan McIntosh '15 ran 2nd for Andover for most of the race but got hurt in the last half mile and dropped off a bit, eventually finishing 5th for Andover in a hobbled time of 18:10. Seeing Ethan fall back, captain Scott Diekema '14 surged forward to finish just behind Exeter's 5th and St. Paul's 2nd in a time of 17:37. He was followed by Paul McGovern '15 in 17:45, Kailash Sundaram '15 in 17:52, McIntosh, Tom Burnett '15 in 18:36, and Daniel Lee '14 in 19:11.
Today's JV race went better for the Andover boys and finished with two wins. Ralph Skinner '16 out-kicked Exeter's 1st to win the JV race in a time of 18:19, and John Gorton '15 was close behind, crossing the line in 18:21. The top seven were rounded out by Henry Tracey '15 in 18:31, Jordan Swett '15 in 18:33, Chase Gottlich '14 in 18:44, Jake Peffer '17 in 18:47, and Noah Belser '16 in 19:16.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 10:30 AM	H	Game		26-33

Boys' XC posts Family Weekend wins

The robust Family Weekend crowd couldn't have asked for a better day: blue skies, red and orange trees, and a green Great Lawn streaked with blue harriers delivering a pair of boys' cross-country wins. N.M.H. brought us two great races, the first of which saw Andover's front-runner Ian Whittall '14 in speedy pursuit of N.M.H.'s glorious Mohamed Hussein '14, who pulled away from Whittall in the end to win the varsity race in 16:03. Whittall finished in 16:22, followed by N.M.H.'s Estevan Velez '16 in 16:48. Ethan McIntosh '15 finished 2nd for Andover and 4th overall in 16:51. Captain Scott Diekema '14 ran a great race to finish ahead of N.M.H.'s Henry Colt '14 in 17:07, followed by Paul McGovern '15 in 17:29, Kailash Sundaram '15 in 17:56, Tom Burnett '15 in 18:06, and Daniel Lee '14 in 18:09. In honor of Family Weekend, all the Andover seniors ran in today's enormous varsity race, and so, after the first seven, the team also brought in John Gorton '15 and Ralph Skinner '16 in 18:13, Chase Gottlich '14 in 18:22, Matt Fischetti '14 in 18:29, Henry Tracey '15 in 18:45, Logan Blaine '14 in 18:59, and Jordan Swett '15 in 19:00. Andover varsity wins, 26-33. In the JV race, Andover's Jacob Peffer '17 ran up front for the first time and held the lead over N.M.H.'s number one until the very end; he crossed the finish line 2nd overall in 18:40. The JV squad was rounded out by Max Lee '15, who finished in 18:55, Abhinav Venigalla '15 in 19:03, Noah Belser '16 in 19:04, Paxton Hyde '15 in 19:51, Tejasv Arya '15 in 19:56, Avery Jonas '16 in 20:23, Alex Emerson '17 in 20:24, Tevis Vitale '16 in 20:35, JongHo Park '16 in 20:37, Bennet Sherr '17 in 22:17, Tom Feigenbaum '15 and Will Reid '15 in 23:22, Joel Peña '16 in 23:28, Sebastian Bishop '17 in 27:14, and Cem Vardar '15 in 27:58. Andover JV wins, 25-31. The boys thank all the fans who came out to the meet today and look forward to racing at Deerfield next week.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 12:00 PM		Game		15-50

Varsity and JV boys win big at Deerfield

On this bright, blustery, beautiful Saturday, the Andover boys traveled west to face a Deerfield team much depleted by injury. Andover's Ian Whittall '14 ran the varsity race way up front and finished in 16:19, an especially strong time for running all alone on this flat, grassy course. Whittall was followed by six teammates in blue: Ethan McIntosh '15 in 16:47, Ralph Skinner '16 in 17:20, Kailash Sundaram '15 in 17:22, captain Scott Diekema '14 in 17:27, John Gorton '15 in 17:28, and Tom Burnett '15 in 17:44. Daniel Lee '14 finished in 18:07, just four seconds behind Deerfield's number one. There were eighteen Andover runners in the JV race, and ten of them crossed the finish line before Deerfield's first. Chase Gottlich '14 was the individual winner with a time of 18:18. We're grateful to our Deerfield hosts, and we're fired up for our final dual meet of the season, at home against Exeter, on Saturday, November 2.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 11:30 AM	H	Game		34-24

Boys' XC outrun by finely tuned Exeter machine

The Andover boys ran a great race today but couldn't beat a first-rate Exeter team at the top of its game. Ian Whittall '14 led throughout the race, holding up well against the pressure of the Exeter pack just behind him, and finished in a brilliant PR time of 16:02. Ethan McIntosh '15 went into the Sanctuary behind the Exeter pack but came out, 1.7 miles later, out in front, not all that far from Whittall, and dug deep to hold onto his position in the last leg of the race. Only Exeter's number one got ahead of him, and then only by two seconds. McIntosh finished in a fabulous PR time of 16:11--2nd for Andover and 3rd overall. Then came Exeter's 2nd through 6th, over just a 44-second spread, before Andover could bring in captain Scott Diekema '14 in 17:19, Ralph Skinner '16 in 17:27, and Kailash Sundaram '15 in 17:39. After Exeter's 7th came Andover's Tom Burnett '15 in 17:54, Paul McGovern '15 in 17:55, John Gorton '15 in 18:24, and Daniel Lee '14 in 18:26. Exeter 24, Andover 34. In the JV race, Jordan Swett '15 finished 1st for Andover, 3rd overall, in an excellent PR time of 18:07. He was joined in Andover's top five by Matt Fischetti '14, Chase Gottlich 14, Max Lee '15, and Jacob Peffer '17. Twenty-one Andover boys ran in the JV race, and they posted some great times in this final dual meet of the season. Exeter 22, Andover 37. Interschols next week!

Interschols

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 8:30 AM		Championship	St. Paul's School	2nd out of 14

Varsity boys take 2nd place at XC Interschols

The Andover Boys' Cross Country team finished the 2013 season with two brilliant races at Interschols. The varsity race brought an unusually competitive field to the starting line, and a remarkable pack fought it out at the front for much of the race. Ian Whittall '14--Andover's front runner for one last time!--was right in the thick of it, and Ethan McIntosh '15 and captain Scott Diekema '14 followed not too far behind. Mohamed Hussein '14 of NMH ran beautifully and made it his race, but Whittall kept close and held off, for the fourth time this fall, the threat of the phenomenal Exeter pack. He finished 2nd overall in a time of 16:12. McIntosh ran a truly excellent championship race to finish 2nd for Andover and 7th overall in a time of 16:36, just behind Exeter's 3rd. Though he was hurting after tearing through the first and second miles, Diekema toughed it out through the last mile of the race to finish 3rd for Andover and 24th overall, adding crucial points to Choate's 3rd and 4th. His time was 17:19. Andover's Ralph Skinner '16 and Paul McGovern '15 finished 29th and 30th overall, just ahead of Choate's 5th, in times of 17:31 and 17:32, respectively. Kailash Sundaram '15 and Tom Burnett '15 rounded out the varsity squad, crossing the finish line in 17:50 and 17:53, respectively. The varsity team finished 2nd behind Exeter and ahead of Choate and Loomis Chaffee. In the JV race, it was Exeter in the 1st and 2nd positions from start through finish, but Andover's irrepressible John Gorton '15 smiled his way to a glorious 3rd-place finish in a time of 17:59. Chase Gottlich '14 finished 2nd for Andover and 9th overall in 18:12, and Jordan Swett '15 finished 3rd for Andover and 11th overall in 18:14. The rest of the JV team comprised Jacob Peffer '17, who crossed the finish line in 18:30, Matt Fischetti '14 in 18:31, Daniel Lee '14 in 18:32, Max Lee '15 in 19:01, Abhinav Venigalla '15 in 19:08, and Logan Blaine '14 in 19:11. Henry Tracey '15 did not finish due to injury. The JV team finished 3rd behind Exeter and Choate and ahead of NMH. The Andover boys congratulate the Exeter teams on their victories and NMH's Hussein on his individual varsity win, and they thank the students and faculty of St. Paul's for hosting a great championship meet. They also thank the parents and other fans who've supported them this fall. Bring on the 2014 season!

New Additions and Returners Look to Propel Andover Forward This Season

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After placing fourth at interschols last year, the goal of winning it all will be the driving force behind the Boys Cross Country team this season.

With a team full of both new and returning runners, everyone promises great results.

"We only lost one runner in our Varsity top seven, so we hope to build on last season's depth to stride to victory this fall," said Captain Scott Diekema '14. "In addition to our returning runners, we have a strong presence in our two new Uppers, Keton Kakkar ['15] and Henry Tracey IV ['15.]"

Coach Jeff Domina will be leading the team again this year. "We come into every season with the same goals: to develop healthily and happily as individual runners, to develop together as a competitive team and to realize our greatest potential at Interschols," said Domina.

Ian Whittall '14, who started cross country two years ago, is this season's lead runner.

"Ian has tremendously trained and improved to be one of the top runners in the NEPSAC division. Ian will most probably lead races out, and you can look to him to be one of the lead runners," said Kailash Sundaram '15.

Whittall and his teammates are hoping that he will break his personal record of 16:10 from last year.

Team camaraderie was important to the success of the team last year, as the runners motivate each other on the course.

"Last year we came together as a team later than I think any of us would have preferred, but once we did come together, our performance really took off. It ended up being a truly great season for the team," added Domina.

"In our early meets, the focus will be on adding to our race experience and developing our racing skills. Most of the guys will be running a little bit tired, but that's where we want to be while we're still building strength and gradually increasing speed," he continued.

This year, the majority of the meets will be run on Andover's home course, which has many hills.

"You can expect us to do a lot of hill workouts and speed training. We will always be 'one step' ahead of our opponents," said Sundaram.

"We're looking forward to an auspicious season," said Chase Gottlich '14, a second year runner. "Personally, I'm ecstatic for the season."

Andover kicks off its season with the first meet of the year at Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday, September 28.

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Boys Cross Country will rely on the superior speed of Ian Whitall '14 this season.

Second Out of Six: "Pack Running" Proves Successful

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Finishing second and sixth respectively, Ian Whittall '14 and Ethan McIntosh '15 spearheaded Andover Boys Cross Country's second place finish at Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday.

While Andover placed behind Phillips Exeter Academy, Whittall finished ahead of Exeter's first runner and McIntosh crossed the line between Exeter's fourth and fifth.

"Those finishes suggest the Exeter team might be vulnerable in a way it wasn't a year ago," wrote Head Coach Jeff Domina in an e-mail to The Phillipian.

Following McIntosh were Captain Scott Diekema '14 and Paul McGovern '15 with times of 18:06 and 18:08, respectively. Kailash Sundaram '15, Tom Burnett '15 and Chase Gottlich '14 rounded out Andover's top seven.

In addition to three other teams, Andover defeated NMH, a team that Andover fell to at Interschols last year.

Andover's success in the race was due to its "pack running" strategy, which involves runners working together in groups of two or three to pass opponents. "The pace started out pretty fast, but our team managed to keep it steady and work together. I ran with Scott Diekema and Paul McGovern for a lot of the race. We worked together to pass people," said McIntosh.

Andover's camaraderie also played a key role in the team's recent accomplishments.

"Morale is really good, especially compared to last year. It's been a really tight group, even from the beginning. We've done a good job getting to know new runners and including them in the team," said McIntosh.

"I think we are in a great spot to strike," added Keton Kakkar '15, a new runner, in an e-mail to The Phillipian. "As far as morale goes, the guys were incredibly supportive of each other after the race, much more so than it would have been back at my old team. I'm really glad to be here, and I think we can be very competitive this season."

Looking forward, Andover Boys Cross Country will look to improve on endurance. After completing a long endurance run that varied from three to eight miles on Monday, the team tackled its toughest hill workout of the season on Tuesday. Following a four mile warm-up, the team completed five sets of hill repeats, or half mile "tempo" pieces, and finished with a three mile cooldown.

Andover will also try to enhance its racing strategy for future races. "Personally, I think I need to work on starting off faster and then settling into the pace. We should also be using each other to push ourselves ahead instead of settling in with each other," said McIntosh.

With the advantage of familiarity with course, Andover will look to avenge its Interschols loss to Choate on Saturday at home.

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Individual Speed Not Enough

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

St. Paul's

Amidst ear-splitting cheers from onlookers, Ethan McIntosh '15 closed in on Choate's lead runner, overtaking him just behind the Chapel for a second place finish on Saturday.

Coupled with a strong performance from Ian Whittall '14, Andover snagged first and second place against Choate on Saturday. However, the wins were not enough to secure an overall victory, and the team fell 20-32. Andover also struggled to find its footing against St. Paul's and Exeter on Wednesday, falling 22-33 and 20-36.

"Although we were hoping for a different team score, many of our runners had strong individual performances that give us something to look forward as we move into the second half of the season," said Captain Scott Diekema '14.

"The best part was that I felt really comfortable with the course, since it's here at home and we run so many workouts here, and I knew every twist and corner, all the little tactics, and how to get ahead by little seconds," said Whittall.

Against Choate on Saturday, Choate's top five slotted between 16:24,

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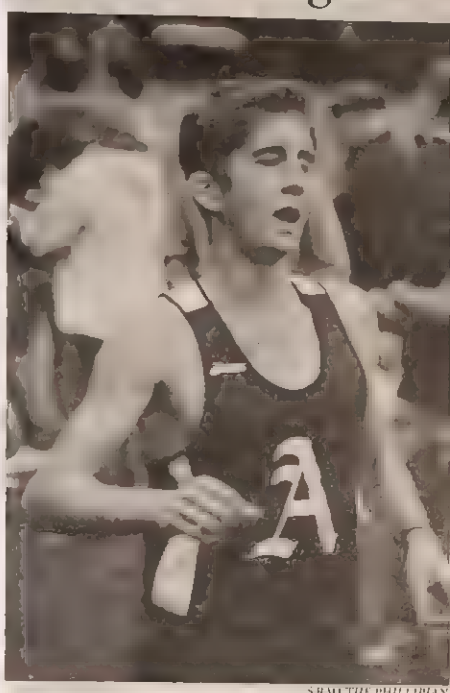

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Scott Diekema '14 catches a breath at the finish line.

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McIntosh, who finished in a time of 16:24, and Paul McGovern '15, who finished in 17:22. Choate's top five runners finished within 34 seconds of each other.

Diekema and Kailash Sundaram '15 were close behind in 17:25 and 17:50, respectively.

Andover's strategy so far this season has been to run in packs. At the Choate race, Diekema and McGovern ran together and finished close behind the Choate pack. "Scott and I did work as a pack as we usually do and remained close to the Choate pack for the entire race. I separated from Scott on Heartbreak Hill a little bit, but he ran the lawn well and we finished close together," wrote McGovern in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

"Our last home meet we all finished reasonably close to each other, and as a result, ran a better race. If Kailash and I can get closer to Scott and Paul in the next race, I'm confident that we, as a team, can perform really well," wrote Tom Burnett '15 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Burnett finished with a personal record of 18:01, and Matt Fischetti '14 rounded out Andover's top seven with a time of 18:16.

While Andover's finish was disappointing, the team still has a "long way to go in the season," according to McGovern.

McGovern wrote in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*, "These early meets are not important in terms of winning and losing. Instead, these races help us understand where we are as individual runners."

On Wednesday, facing St. Paul's and Exeter, Whittall had another superb performance, finishing the race in 16:21, only ten seconds away from the St. Paul's course record.

While McIntosh started off strong and seemed set for a promising finish, an unfortunate sprained ankle near the end of the race forced him to drop from fourth to 17th place overall.

"[Ethan's] finish was the result of courage, determination and the will to never give up. We can draw from McIntosh's perseverance to push through to the finish line even when push comes to shove at the end of races," wrote Sundaram in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Looking forward, Andover will look to use its team camaraderie to push itself to victory in its upcoming race against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH).

"The camaraderie is my favorite thing about PAXC. It's a great group of guys, and we've bonded well at this point in the season. We've accomplished some amazing things together as a team at this point in the season. I'm sure we'll continue to push and work hard, and hopefully crush our next meet," wrote Burnett.

After falling short of victory its first two races, Andover has plenty of time to recover for its next dual meet against NMH on October 19. The team will look to defeat NMH once again, just as it did two weeks ago in the NMH Invitational.

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Athlete of the Week

Ian Whittall '14

Although Ian Whittall '14 has blazed as Andover Boys Cross Country's lead runner for the past two seasons, his path to success is as humble as it is outstanding. Starting as part of the training pack as a new Lower, Whittall exceeded all expectations, competing in a JV time trial and continuing on to dominate the Varsity scene within the span of a month. His consistent first place titles this season, along with his determination and perseverance in the past three years, have established him as The Phillipian's *Athlete of the Week.*

When did you start running and why?

I started running cross country when I came here to PA as a new Lower. In previous years, I had played soccer, but the year before I came here, I got Lyme disease twice and I was out for the fall season. So I figured this was my opportunity to try something new. The only reason I chose to start running as opposed to some other sport, though, was because in my old school we had to take something called the "Physical Fitness Test," which tested running as one of the components to evaluate a student's overall fitness level, and I had always done very well on the running portion.

When you're facing blood, sweat and tears, how do you manage to push yourself up the hill?

I always remind myself that the other runners must be experiencing just as much pain as me, and that I know I have put 100 percent effort into every practice. I remember that my teammates are trying as hard as I am because I know how hard they've tried in the practices, and that the pain of the race is just minutes away from being over. Also, I always think of my mom at the finish line saying, "No matter what happens, I know you tried your hardest."

Who is your favorite athlete/role model?

My role models are probably Seniors from previous years at PA. I remember that the old Seniors always seemed to be on top of everything despite college applications, regular coursework and sports.

Do you have any special pre-race rituals?

Besides stretching and running the course, I always think of orchestral pieces. For instance, I listened to "To Aslan's Camp" from "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe," and right before my race [on Wednesday], I listened to "Legend of Zelda."

What's your favorite pre-race meal?

My favorite pre-race meal really varies depending on when the race is—in the morning or the afternoon. Usually the night before a race I have at least one bowl of pasta (a.k.a. "Carbo Loading"), a bowl of salad and some sort of lean meat: nothing too heavy.

Favorite way to celebrate a win?

My favorite way to celebrate a win is usually eating out or getting a lot of sleep that night; nothing too crazy.

Most memorable race/practice?

My most memorable race was last year when we raced Deerfield on our home course and everyone expected us to lose. Before the race, our head coach, Mr. Domina, recited a passage of Tennyson, of which I only remember, "though much is taken, much abides." Everyone was so inspired, and we actually ended up winning the race and I came in first.

How do you manage sports and school work?

The way I see it is that sports counts as an extra class. For many people, sports take up just as much time as a regular class (including homework!), and so I feel obligated to put as much effort into my sport as I would any class. The amount of schoolwork at PA is often over exaggerated, except sometimes during Upper year (of course), and I really don't have much of a procrastination problem, unless you count procrastinating some homework with other homework. Usually sports doesn't get too much in the way of academics unless I have a race that is an hour or two away, and during those days I usually try to bring homework to do on the bus ride or I stay up a little later than usual.

Advice to aspiring runners?

I would advise aspiring runners to always start with some short-term and some long-term goals in mind. Also, finding someone to run with is necessary because he or she will ensure that you run routinely and will make it more fun: it's someone to talk to during those long runs and rainy days. Running can either be something you do to the side that's optional, or it can be a part of you that's essential: you choose.

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Andover Races Way to First Victory

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Ian Whittall '14 strained to overtake the first runner from Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH), Mohamed Hussein NMH '14, as they crossed behind the Chapel. Hussein ultimately pulled ahead on the final stretch to the Great Lawn. Whittall finished just 19 seconds after Hussein for a 16:22, second place finish.

Although Whittall and Ethan McIntosh '15 battled NMH's top runners for first and third place on Saturday, Andover claimed its first overall victory 26-33 fueled by a rush of consecutive finishes.

"[My goal] was probably to beat Mohamed, but he is a great runner, and I thought I ran pretty well, so it was good race," said Whittall in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

After Hussein and Whittall crossed the finish line, McIntosh and NMH's Estevan Velez '16 battled for third place. Velez just pulled ahead to outrun McIntosh, who was still recovering from an ankle injury from the St. Paul's trimeet, on the Green Lawn stretch. McIntosh fell just short to Velez by three seconds with a time of 16:51.

Following McIntosh, Captain Scott Diekema '14 beat out NMH's third runner, Henry Colt '14, with a time of 17:07. "I went out with the usual pack. I went out with Paul [McGovern '15], Ethan, and Kailash [Sundaram '15], and we stuck together throughout the first half of the race, and then, I tried to stick with NMH's number two down the hill towards Heartbreak. I lost him on Heartbreak, but I was able to stay ahead of their third runner," said Diekema.

Once Diekema and Colt finished the race, the rest of the Andover team finished in a tight pack. Paul McGovern '15, Kailash Sundaram '15, Tom Burnett '15 and Daniel Lee '14 ended with times of 17:29, 17:56, 18:06 and 18:09 respectively.

"That was the strategy. Coming into the race, Kailash tried to push up to get with Scott and Paul, and I tried to push up to get with Kailash, and Daniel Lee tried to push up to get with me. We were all pushing each other," said Burnett.

With a win under its belt, Andover is looking forward towards improvements to come in the latter half of the season.

"I think this was a really great race for our team," said Diekema. "It shows that we have a really strong pack that will definitely be really helpful in the races to come and the league championships, and we did beat NMH earlier in the season, so we were hoping for another win, but it was definitely a tough race, and we stuck it out, and we did what we needed to do."

The camaraderie is as strong as ever, with the boys running and working together during and after practices.

"The team bond is really good because we have a good captain in place. Scott does a great job with all of us, and I think we're trying to get the guys together more outside of practice, maybe have some team dinners. Also, when practice ends, we do some core together, and we're always able to talk on the runs," said McGovern.

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Captain Scott Diekema '14 solidifies his 5th place finish.

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Daniel Lee '14 grimaces on his way to 7th place for Andover

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Boys Earn Perfect Race

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

All seven Andover Boys Cross Country runners surged to the front of the pack, breaking past Deerfield's lone lead runner within the last 500 meters of the race to win 15-50.

Ian Whittall '14 led the Andover victory, finishing with a time of 16:19. Ethan McIntosh '15, Ralph Skinner '16, Kailash Sundaram '15, Co-Captain Scott Diekema '14, John Gorton '15 and Tom Burnett '15 finished with respecitve times of 16:47, 17:20, 17:22, 17:27, 17:28 and 17:44.

Deerfield's top running finished just four seconds ahead of Andover's Daniel Lee '14, who finished ninth with 18:07.

"The grassy, flat terrain was something I'm not accustomed to race for an entire course. My strong suit is running hilly dirt courses, which is the exact opposite, although it's good to run on something different than what I'm used to so I can improve," said Whittall.

Despite the change of scenery, Andover was helped by the number of Deerfield runners who were out for injury from the race.

"My strategy was just to try to keep a steady pace the entire race," wrote Whittall in an email to *The Phillipian*. "We had been told before the race that Deerfield's team was somewhat lacking this year, so we were not too concerned about losing the race."

This season, Andover has devoted much attention to its pack running and been rewarded with favorable results. Saturday was not an exception.

"Our goal for this race was to get all of our scoring runners in before Deerfield's number one, something we managed to accomplish. Because of this, our strategy was to keep a tight pack in the front and help each other out through the entire race," said Lee.

"Before the race, Coach Domina and I agreed that it would be best if I tried to stay close to Kailash throughout the race," said Skinner. "It was a windy day, so running with Kailash and a few other runners helped me avoid the headwind by drafting. Running in a group also pushed me and helped me keep a steady pace."

"It was one of the best displays of pack running we've had all year," added Skinner.

Andover will host Exeter at home this Saturday and aims to put an end to its rival's undefeated streak.

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Pack Running Holds Off Opponents; Boys Claim Second Place at Interschols

By Felipe Chamon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With an Exeter runner nipping at his heels, Ian Whittall '14 of Andover Boys Cross Country blazed down the course in pursuit of his archrival, Northfield Mount Hermon runner Mohamed Hussein '14, during last Saturday's Interschols race.

In the matchup between the two, Hussein has taken first place the past two encounters. Although Whittall lost yet again to Hussein, Whittall's own second place finish helped to propel Andover to an impressive second place overall finish.

With 14 teams of competitive runners converging on the course at St. Paul's on Saturday, Andover, which lost the majority of its races by narrow margins this season, was able to outrun 12 teams, losing only to Exeter.

Ethan McIntosh '15 wrote in an email to *The Phillipian*, "We were mainly concerned about Choate and St Paul's because they packed up well earlier in the season and defeated us in dual meets."

The pack strategy has been key in Andover's strong races this season. In addition to cohesive team work, Andover incorporated a quick-paced start into its Interschols tactical approach. An uncommon technique, Andover employed it in this race due to the large amount of runners leaving the starting line at once, which effectively seperated potential opponent packs early in the race.

"In a big race like Interschols, it's difficult to run in groups. However, we did have a pack of four runners for the opening mile or two," wrote Ralph Skinner '16 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Whittall led the Andover Boys for one last time, and ran with the leading runners from the other teams. Despite dropping first place to Hussein, Whittall finished not far behind with a time of 16:12, only six seconds behind his opponent and one second short of breaking the course record that stood before the race.

McIntosh finished closely after Whittall, crossing the finish line in seventh place overall, and second for Andover, with a time of 16:36. Captain Scott Diekema '14 dug deep for the last mile after fighting hard during the first two to finish in 24th overall with a time of 17:19.

Skinner and Paul McGovern '15 finished with times of 17:31 and 17:32 respectively, with Skinner finishing in 29th and McGovern finishing in 30th overall. Kailash Sundaram '15 and Tom Burnett '15 also finished strongly, and they rounded out the Andover team with times of 17:50 and 17:53 respectively.

"We managed to hold off those teams because of some amazing individual races," wrote McIntosh.

Interschols marked the end of a very productive season for the team which saw great improvement among the runners.

"Interschols was a great day for the team. The guys peaked at just the right time and were able to deliver a brilliant performance. They worked toward that race throughout the fall, and many of them had trained all summer, too," wrote Coach Jeff Domina in an email to *The Phillipian*.

"The second-place finish was fantastic. I'm really proud of them," he added.

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Ian Whittall '14 came within one second of Olympian Guor Majak's 16:11 St. Paul's Course Record on Saturday. 11/07/13

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Graydon Tope '14

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

As experienced Seniors, Graydon Tope '14 and Scott Diekema '14 are leading Girls and Boys Cross Country, respectively. Their leadership will become increasingly important as Andover prepares for the NEPSAC Division I Championships on November 9.

Tope is a four-year Senior from Minneapolis, Minnesota. As the only four-year runner on the girls' team, she holds a strong sense of commitment to the sport.

"It takes dedication from the Captain to make sure that all 35 people feel included, to feel like they're part of something bigger than themselves, and she does an excellent job of that," said Girls Cross Country Head Coach Rebecca Hession.

Julia Donovan '16 said, "Whether you are on the Varsity team or a novice, she [is] really supportive of everyone."

On her approach to leading the team, Tope said, "In general, I am kind of a mom, talking to everybody, checking with everybody and just doing as much as I can. I am compassionate, I am open and I listen."

After an injury forced her to miss a season in her Lower year, Tope bounced back to compete as an Upper and earn her captaincy.

"She has always been a solid runner. And she has been part of the team here since her first days here and has been a very valuable member to the team all that time," said Hession.

Diekema, Captain of Boys Cross Country, is from Iowa City, Iowa. As one of two four-year members of the team, Diekema strives to create a sense of team unity.

"Whether you're a top Varsity runner or you're new to distance running, everyone holds an equal place on our team. Each member plays an integral role in our team's success. I hope to show all of the runners that you can be disciplined in reaching your season goals and have fun doing it," said Diekema.

Diekema's commitment to the sport is both on and off the trail. Diekema goes through flexibility and strengthening exercises three times a day and adheres to a balanced diet that maximizes his body's recovery.

"Scott leads the team effectively through the strong example of his formidable talent and serious work ethic, as well as by his broad encouragement of his teammates," wrote Boys Cross Country Head Coach Jeffrey Domina in an email to *The Phillipian*.

"He struggled with injury for a while, but by the end of last year's season he had learned to manage his injury and surged forward at a crucial time for us. It was in that kind of hard work and persistence that he developed his team leadership."

BrianPaul Robert '16 said, "He is always on track and focused [and] gets the team motivated."

Diekema's ability to lead has translated into two wins for Andover in the past two weeks, including a 15-50 sweep against Deerfield.

"Scott has worked really hard and improved consistently throughout the season, setting an example of the type of work we expect," said Boys Cross Country Assistant Coach Patrick Rielly. Over the past two months, Diekema's time has improved by 59 seconds to 17:07.

Both teams will look to use Tope and Diekema's leadership to come home with their first Championship win in three years. 11/1/13

Sport: Girls Varsity Cross Country

Year: 2013

Captain: Samantha Tope

Coach: Rebecca Hession

Assistant Coaches: Rachel Asher, Nancy Lang, Susanne Torabi

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Berry, Charlotte	2015	Rochester, MN
Bradford, Madison	2017	Paradise Valley, AZ
Chou, Amy	2016	Bozeman, MT
Cline, Gillian	2016	Tampa, FL
Donovan, Julia	2016	North Andover, MA
Gaba, Harshita	2014	Fargo, ND
Gudinas, Alana	2016	Atkinson, NH
Howe, Elizabeth	2014	New York, NY
Jusuf, Emily	2016	Jericho, NY
Kaufmann-LaDuc, Emma	2017	Andover, MA
Kobelski, Margaret	2015	Andover, MA
Kramer, Anna	2016	Bedford Hills, NY
Lam, Kristy	2017	Elk Grove, CA
Lin, Samantha	2016	Scarsdale, NY
McGovern, Peyton	2016	Methuen, MA
Newton, Sasha	2016	Lafayette, CA
Nix, Sabine	2016	Katonah, NY
Nutting, Veronica	2016	Wheeling, WV
Platt, Sharon Ruth	2015	Eielson AFB, AK
Ren, Qiqi	2015	Portland, OR
Rockwood, Ashlie	2014	Winthrop, MA
Rooney, Morgan	2017	Wayne, PA
Sambuco, Sloane	2016	Palm Beach, FL
Schmaier, Sarah	2016	Burlingame, CA
Schmidt, Mikayla	2017	Tyngsboro, MA
Shehadeh, Anoush	2015	Larchmont, NY
Smith, Lauren	2015	Belvedere, CA
Soutendijk, Gina	2015	Singapore
Tackett, Evelyn	2015	Coxs Creek, KY
Tang, Angela	2016	West Linn, OR
Tope, Parker	2016	Minneapolis, MN
Tope, Samantha*	2014	Minneapolis, MN
Welch, Kasey	2016	Winchester, MA
Zhang, Sharon	2016	Portland, OR

* Captain

Coaches: Rebecca Hession, Rachel Asher, Nancy Lang, Susanne Torabi

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/28 @ 11:00 AM	Codfish Bowl		Scrimmage	7th
9/28 @ 3:30 PM	N.M.H. Invitational		Scrimmage	4th Place
10/5 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 19-42
10/9 @ 4:30 PM	St. Paul's/Exeter		Game	W vs. St. Paul's 27-28 ; vs. Exeter 20-35
10/19 @ 2:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W V: 19-44 JV: 15-50
10/26 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield		Game	L Varsity 30-25 ; JV 18-45 (win)
10/26 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield		Game	
11/2 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 22-33
11/2 @ 4:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 22-35
11/9 @ 1:30 PM	Interschols		Game	Varsity: 3rd JV: 1st

Highlights

Codfish Bowl

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 7:00 AM		Scrimmage	Franklin Park	7th

GXC has Strong Showing at 45th Codfish Bowl

The girls' cross country team was eager to travel to Franklin Park for the return of the annual Codfish Bowl 5k (the race was cancelled last year due to construction). Spirits were high as the team raced against collegiate and club programs to a strong 7th place finish. Anoush Shehadeh '15 lead the field with a first place finish in 18:14. Returners Peyton McGovern '16, Qiqi Ren '15 and new team members Sharon Zhang '16 and Sharon Platt '15 rounded out the top five. Congratulations to all fourteen runners who participated in the season opener.

N.M.H. Invitational

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 11:30 AM		Scrimmage		4th Place

Great Competition at NMH

The girls' cross country team participated in two races this weekend. Half of the team traveled to western Massachusetts to participate at the NMH Invite. Congratulations to all the runners!

Name, Place, Time

M. Rooney, 19, 23:52
G. Cline, 20, 24:15
M. Kobelski, 21, 24:15
A. Rockwood, 30, 25:07
K. Welch, 45, 25:07
S. Nix, 50, 26:47
S. Newton, 52, 27:04
A. Tang, 53, 27:07
S. Lin, 58, 27:56
S. Schmaier, 60, 28:01
A. Chou, 70, 28:52
M. Bradford, 72, 28:54
S. Sambuco, 75, 29:05
K. Lam, 84, 30:26
E. Kaufmann-Laduc, 96, 32:17
G. Soutendijk, 97, 32:32

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 12:45 PM	H	Game		19-42

GXC Varsity and JV Teams Show Strength Against Choate

On a superb afternoon for running, the Phillips Academy girls' cross country team demonstrated the strength of their pack running. The varsity meet resulted in a 1,2,3 sweep by PA over the Wild Boars of Choate Rosemary Hall. Anoush Shehadeh '15 led the way with a course and school record breaking time of 17:37 (lowering her record of 17:41 from last season). Peyton McGovern '16 and Qiqi Ren '15 followed to secure Big Blue's victory. Sharon Ruth Platt '15, Sofia Barbosa '16, Campbell Howe '14 and Alana Gudinas '16 completed the top seven.
In the JV race PA won with a perfect score of 15-50. Placing 1st through 7th was Lauren Smith '15, Morgan Rooney '17, Gillian Cline '16, Evelyn Tackett '15, Charlotte Berry '16, Maggie Kobelski '15 and Graydon Tope '14.
The team thanks Choate for traveling a long distance to compete on our course. The girls turn their attention to Wednesday's meet against St. Paul's and Exeter at St. Paul's.

St. Paul's/Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 12:30 PM		Game	St. Paul's	vs. St. Paul's 27-28 ; vs. Exeter 20-35

GXC Continues Winning Streak in NH

On a beautiful fall day, Big Blue XC traveled north to Concord, NH to race St. Paul's and Exeter. Anoush Shehadeh '15 finished first overall and broke her second course record of the season with time of 18:04 (lowering her record from last fall by 31 seconds). Peyton McGovern '16, Sharon Zhang '16, Qiqi Ren '15, Gillian Cline '16, Morgan Rooney '17 and Sofia Barbosa '16 represented the top seven.
In the JV race, scored unoffically, Andover's top seven finished with a spread of just 33 seconds. Parker Tope '16 led the way followed by Alana Gudinas '16, Campbell Howe '14, Anna Kramer '16, Lauren Smith '15, Maggie Kobelski '15 and Charlotte Berry '16.
Many thanks to St. Paul's for hosting inviting us to preview the Interschols Championship course. The team will work hard over the next week to prepare for the Family Weekend race against NMH.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 10:00 AM	H	Game		V: 19-44 JV: 15-50

GXC Secures Another Win Against NMH

Family Weekend fans cheered the harriers to their 4th victory of the season. Their ability to run as pack continues to improve with fourteen PA runners finishing before NMH's second. The varsity race was led by Anoush Shehadeh '15, who continued to shave time off the course record, finishing in a blistering time of 17:18 (19 seconds faster than the record she set on October 5). Peyton McGovern '16, Qiqi Ren '15, Sharon Zhang '16, Sharon Ruth Platt '15, Sofia Barbosa '16 and Gillian Cline '16 finished within 60 seconds of each other and secured the win.
The top seven JV runners finished within 37 seconds to bring the team to a perfect 15-50 victory. Alana Gudinas '16, Morgan Rooney '17, Anna Kramer '16, Campbell Howe '14, Parker Tope '16, Lauren Smith '15 and Charlotte Berry '16 represented the top seven JV finishers.
The team thanks NMH's racers and coaches for a wonderful day of competition. Big Blue travels to western MA next weekend to face Deerfield Academy.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:15 AM		Game		Varsity 30-25 ; JV 18-45 (win)

GXC Faces Great Competition at Deerfield

Nineteen racers traveled to western Mass. to compete against a very strong Deerfield Academy team. Despite impressively fast times (the course is slightly long), DA won 25-30. Anoush Shehadeh '15 continued her undefeated season with course record time of 17:30. Peyton McGovern '16, Qiqi Ren '15, Sofia Barbosa '16, Sharon Platt '15, Gillian Cline '16 and Anna Kramer '16 also represented PA's top seven. In the JV race (scored unofficially), the top seven JV runners finished less than one minute each other. Morgan Rooney '17, Parker Tope '16, Alana Gudinas '16, Campbell Howe '14, Charlotte Berry '16, Graydon Tope '14 and Eveyln Tackett '15 led PA to a 18-45 victory over Deerfield.
Thanks to Deerfield's coaches and racers for hosting a terrific meet! PA GXC returns home next weekend to face Exeter in the final regular season race before the NESPTA Div. 1 Championships.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 12:00 PM	H	Game		22-35

GJV Races Strong Against Exeter

This year's JV Andover-Exeter race was full of excitement with much of the racing happening on the final lap of the Great Lawn. Alana Gudinas '16 moved from 3rd to 1st in the last stretch. Charlotte Berry '16 and Parker Tope '16 made similar moves to finish 2nd and 4th overall. Maggie Kobelski '15, Campbell Howe '14, Evie Tackett '16 and Morgan Rooney '17 represent PA's top seven. These strong finishes brought Andover to 22-35 victory over Exeter. Thanks to Exeter's coaches and athletes for a great day. The team turns its attention to next Saturday's championship race at St. Paul's. Andover's JV team has won 12 championship titles in the last 13 years!

Interschols

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 8:30 AM	[redacted]	Game	St Paul's School	Varsity: 3rd JV: 1st

Varsity 3rd, JV 1st at Championship Race

GXC had a very strong finish to the 2013 season. The Varsity team placed 3rd behind Deerfield and St. Paul's. Anoush Shehadeh '15 won with a course record time of 17:38. Peyton McGovern '16 finished 7th. The JV team won for the 13th time in 12 years! Morgan Rooney '17 finished 3rd. Nine PA JV runners finished in the top 20 places. See full results here:http://www.coolrunning.com/results/13/nh/Nov9_2013NE_set4.shtml

With Deep Roster, Girls Set Goal for Top Finish at Interschols

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Led by Captain Graydon Tope '14, Andover Girls Cross Country is looking to improve on its third place finish at Interschols last year.

With a deep roster, including star runner Anoush Shehadeh '15, Andover is not short on the talent needed to top Interschols. The Tope sisters, Graydon and Parker Tope '16, and Peyton McGovern '16, join Shehadeh as the team's top runners.

Anoush Shehadeh '15 was a force last season for Andover.

Returning Seniors Harshita Gaba '14 and Campbell Howe '14 will help lead the team, with Qiqi Ren '15, Lauren Smith '15 and Evelyn Tackett '15 playing important roles as well.

New talents include Sofia Barbosa '16 and Alana Gudinas '16 who also attended preseason and are likely to be integral parts of the team in the coming season

Last year's roster only contained six Seniors out of a total 38 runners, so many of the runners are returning to the team.

"I think great we have an excellent group of girls and every girl works as hard as they can in practice each day. The best part of our team is the support we provide each other with!" wrote McGovern in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

The team members trained very hard over the summer and bonded well at preseason. On the Andover website, Coach Rebecca Hession posted a Start-Up program also used by the U.S. Naval Academy. By the end of the summer training program, an advanced runner should be able to run three miles in 6.5 minutes (per mile), five days a week.

"It was great. We were all very focused and ready to practice and train. It was a good experience for the girls," said Graydon Tope.

This year, the toughest matches are expected to be against Choate and Deerfield.

Both teams have talented runners, but according to Graydon Tope, "We intend to kick their butts this year." Nobles is also resembling a force to be reckoned with, and Andover is looking forward to that match as well.

"I'm super pumped for this season because we were such a young team last year and we finished third at interschols, which was not expected by anyone," said Shehadeh.

"I hope I can lead the team to a higher place finish than last year and I hope that we can crush Exeter again."

Other matches on the schedule are home against NMH and at St. Paul's. Andover will kick off the season in the annual Codfish Bowl on September 28th.

9/13/13

College Competitors No Sweat for Shehadeh '15

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Anoush Shehadeh '15 dashed past the competition at the Codfish Bowl, finishing first and beating college runners with a time of 18:14.

Facing college runners from schools including Boston University, Bates and Tufts, Andover placed seventh at the Codfish Bowl this past Saturday.

"The team did really well! A lot of our new runners had a really strong first race and our average team time was pretty fast for our first race of the season...that makes me excited to see what will happen over the next two months. The course was great and it was just a fantastic day in general. We all accomplished our goal, which was to have fun and finish feeling strong," said Shehadeh.

"We did really well especially for this early in the season. We used this race almost as a practice to prepare us for the real races later," said Qiqi Ren '15. "It was really casual and meant to be fun. It's a really good sign that we managed to do this well in our first race, since we were competing against colleges that have trained for much longer than we have."

On top of Shehadeh's performance, Peyton McGovern '16 clocked in at 20:47, and Ren's time of 21:56 rounded out the top three runners from Andover.

"I think that we ran superbly. We have so much depth so early in the season which is definitely going to pay off later in the season as well. Our packs are very strong and close together. We started as a team, ran as a team and finished well as a team. I really could not be prouder!" said Parker Tope '16.

The rest of the team traveled to NMH to compete with several others rivals, placing fourth.

Andover's top three runners were Gillian Cline '16, Maggie Kobelski '14 and Ashlie Rockwood '14 with times of 24:15, 24:15, and 25:07 respectively.

"Honestly, I think that we all had a good race and we weren't aiming to leave everything there since this was just a fun run. But everyone had a time that they could be proud of and we were really strong. Everyone was really happy about it," said Alana Gudinas '16.

Andover's next race will be against Choate at home.

"We totally have a home advantage since we have been training in the Sanctuary. We know Heartbreak Hill [in the Bird Sanctuary] and we feel that can trip other teams up. Our whole team has been practicing hard and we feel in good shape for this race," said Gudinas.

Choate is a tough opponent with some very skilled and experienced runners, but Andover is looking forward to the challenge. Many on the team believe that the competition will make them run faster.

"I know Choate is a strong team and we were close to them last year, so I hope this year we can beat them! We only lost one senior from our top seven and we gained some strong new people. I'm not sure how many people they lost or what their team is like this year, but I do know that we'll give them a run for their money," said Shehadeh. 10/4/13

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Shehadeh Can't Be Caught

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	19
Choate	46

Andover	27
St. Paul's	28

Andover	20
Exeter	37

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Anoush Shehadeh '15 and Peyton McGovern '16 have finished first and second, respectively, for Andover in all three meets this season.

Two minutes ahead of the second place runner and with the finish line in sight, Anoush Shehadeh '15 shattered her own record on the Andover course by four seconds with a time of 17:37 on Saturday against Choate. Four days later, she beat another record on St. Paul's course by 27 seconds.

"I'm in much better shape than I was last year at this point and I've been working a lot on the little things like strength work and stretching. Overall, I'm just a year older, faster and stronger," said Shehadeh.

In addition to cross country practices with the girls team, Shehadeh took on morning runs through the Sanctuary in preparation for her races. On Monday and Tuesday, Shehadeh practiced with the Boys Cross Country team, completing the difficult Boston Hill workout, which spans five hills and nine miles.

Against Choate on Saturday, Andover Girls Cross Country swept all top three positions en route to an overwhelming victory. The girls then knocked off Exeter and St. Paul's at a Wednesday meet on St. Paul's course.

In the race against Choate, 21 runners improved their times from the previous meet and all 26 racers finished the course. Overall, the team won 19-46. The score was particularly impressive, as the team was only four points off the maximum attainable score, 15-50.

Following Shehadeh's first place finish, Peyton McGovern '16 completed the course in a time of 19:59. Qiqi Ren '15 then finished the course in 20:49, closely followed by Sharon Platt '15 and Sofia Barbosa '16, with times of 21:28 and 21:29, respectively. Campbell Howe '14 and Alana Gudinas '16 rounded out Andover's top seven with identical times of 21:42.

On Wednesday at St. Paul's, Andover overwhelmingly beat Exeter 20-37, but barely inched past St. Paul's with 27-28.

"For one, there was a lot more pressure today because we raced Exeter as well as St. Paul's, but both courses were beautiful and fun to run on," said Gudinas.

The course served as good practice for Andover, as the New England Prepatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) Division I Cross Country Championships will be held at St. Paul's on November 9.

Looking forward, Andover will look to utilize its team chemistry to maintain its undefeated record. "The team chemistry is fantastic. Everyone is pumped and psyched for practice," wrote Captain Graydon Tope '14 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Andover's energy in practice will prove useful in grueling hill workouts, speed training on the track and long-distance runs to increase endurance.

Andover will also use its ten-day waiting period to rest and recover in hopes of continuing its undefeated streak against Northfield Mount Hermon in its next race on October 19.

10/11/13

Team Effort Earns Victory

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In Andover's race against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) during Family Weekend, Andover Varsity Girls Cross Country had 14 runners cross the finish line before the second best runner from NMH, while the top seven JV runners finished within 37 seconds of each other.

Anoush Shehadeh '15 broke yet another course record. Shehadeh set the new record at an outstanding 17:18, a full 19 seconds faster than the previous record of 17:37.

With dozens of parents and families watching, Andover runners zoomed past Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) 19-44 in the varsity race and 15-50 in the junior varsity race.

"There's one girl who is good on NMH's team and I credit my race to her because she really pushed me out of my comfort zone in the first half mile before she fell behind," said Shehadeh.

"I was honestly really surprised with my finishing time. I knew that I had gotten faster, but to cut 20 seconds from the course record in two weeks, well, I didn't see that coming. My time of 17:17.8 was also my 5K PR [personal record]. As a team we are looking so strong and we finished 15 runners before NMH's second runner finished and continued our undefeated season, which is fantastic," continued Shehadeh. "I'm just happy I could run a strong race and help our team out as much as I could."

The NMH racer behind Shehadeh finished second overall, with a time of 19:26. Peyton McGovern '16 finished the race in third place with a time of 20:36.

Morgan Rooney '17 credits the team as a whole for its success the season and hopes to continue the winning ways against Deerfield, through Exeter, and into Interschols.

"Our team this year is so strong and our packs keep getting closer and tighter together and I think this gives us a great chance of doing extremely well at Interschols in a few weeks!" said Rooney.

McGovern, Qiqi Ren '15, Sharon Zhang '16, Sharon Ruth Platt '15, Sofia Barbosa '16 and Gillian Cline '16 finished within 60 seconds of each other in the varsity race.

When asked what allows Andover runners to blow by its opponents, Alana Gudinas '16 responded, "People running up front push runners behind them to go faster, so when we run as a pack we pass more NMH runners."

Rooney also believes that running in front of the parents inspired Andover runners to work harder and push themselves more than the team would in a normal race.

"Since I had not seen my parents in a while, I wanted to show them how much I've improved and having them there cheering me on really helped me push myself even farther than I thought I could," said Rooney.

Alana Gudinas '16, Rooney and Anna Kramer '16 were the top three JV runners.

Next up on the schedule for Andover is a trip to Deerfield. Although the team feels more comfortable racing at home, it will look to use its momentum on the road as well.

10/25/13

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Sharon Ruth Platt '15 and Sofia Barbosa '16 worked together as a pack to finish fifth and sixth place for Andover.

Uphill Battle At Deerfield

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Combating rough terrain on Deerfield's course, Andover Girls Cross Country had a close race against Deerfield last Saturday, with Anoush Shehadeh '15 celebrating her tenth course record.

Despite Andover Girls Cross Country's 30-25 loss, the team achieved many personal bests, with Peyton McGovern '16, Qiqi Ren '15, Sofia Barbosa '16, Sharon Platt '15, Gillian Cline '16 and Anna Kramer '16 rounding out the top seven.

Deerfield's course is very different from Andover's home course. Unlike Andover's hilly trail, the course at Deerfield is grassy and flat. It also contains many small ditches that proved harmful to the runners.

Sharon Zhang '16, who finished fourth place at Andover's last meet, suffered an injury at the one and a half mile mark, which forced her to turn back for medical attention.

Shehadeh finished the Deerfield course with a time of 17:30, despite walking over three parts of the course.

"I actually walked three little parts of their course because I thought that if I had to choose between a slower time and an injury, I would definitely choose a slower time. Their course was long, 3.22 miles versus 3.11, so I was happy that I ran 17:30, and when I finished I wasn't winded at all," Shehadeh said.

Even with Shehadeh's contribution, Andover lost the race by five points. The team however, did not dwell on the defeat.

"The team performed well. I think we are pretty evenly matched with Deerfield, and they were last year's champions at Interschols. This year, we lost by only five points, and also one of our top runners could not finish the race due to injury, so that affected our score," said Ren.

Anoush Shehadeh '15 added, "Deerfield is definitely a force to be reckoned with in our league, so as a team we performed fantastically and we were so close to beating or tying them."

"The long bus ride affected the team since we didn't have time to do our full warm-up and fully prepare for the race," said Morgan Rooney '17. "We haven't run on a course like Deerfield's this season, and it was a bit longer, but we were able to do our best and get a lot of personal bests."

For these reasons, Ren and Shehadeh retain high hopes for a winning performance at Interschols on November 9.

"[The outcome] makes me super pumped for a week and a half from now [at Interschols]. It was a great day to see how our team would perform under a lot of competition and I think we did super well," said Shehadeh.

"We had several close races that could have come out either way, and I think if we win all of those close races when we see Deerfield again at Interschols, we have a very good chance of beating them. We just have to work on getting fast finishes and strong last miles, which are going to be key in close races," said Ren.

This Saturday, Andover will host rival Exeter in the last regular season meet before Interschols. 11/1/13

Girls Sprint to Third Place Victory at Interschols

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With an even stride and a steady pace, Anoush Shehadeh '15 crossed the finish line with a course record of 17:38 to capture first place at the NEPSAC Division I Championships (Interschols).

Shehadeh's victory propelled Andover to an award-winning third place finish out of 14 teams. The top four teams earn awards from the NEPSAC Council.

Shehadeh bested her old record of 18:04 on the St. Paul's School course and finished 42 seconds ahead of the second place runner. This was the second consecutive year that Shehadeh finished in first place.

"Individually, I was really happy to be 26 seconds faster on the St. Paul's course than I was earlier this season, and I was really glad that I was able to maintain a sizable gap between second place and myself," said Shehadeh, who is undefeated in her high school cross country career.

"It was great to be in top three again and continue Andover's long tradition of performing well at Interschols. It also meant a lot to watch our Captain, Graydon [Tope '14], go up to the stage and get our third place team plaque for us," said Qiqi Ren '15.

Peyton McGovern '16 and Ren finished 7th and 28th respectively to round out Andover's top three. Shehadeh and McGovern will advance to the New Balance New England Eastern Regionals, where they will compete to attend the New Balance Nationals.

"As a team, our goal going into Interschols was to keep up with the solid performances we've had so far. We were a really deep team with a lot of tight packs, which I think showed through in the race," said Sharon Zhang '16.

Sofia Barbosa '16 finished fourth for Andover with a personal record of 21:04. Sharon Ruth Platt '15, Zhang and Alana Gudinas '16 finished with times of 21:09, 21:15 and 21:23, respectively, to round out Andover's top seven.

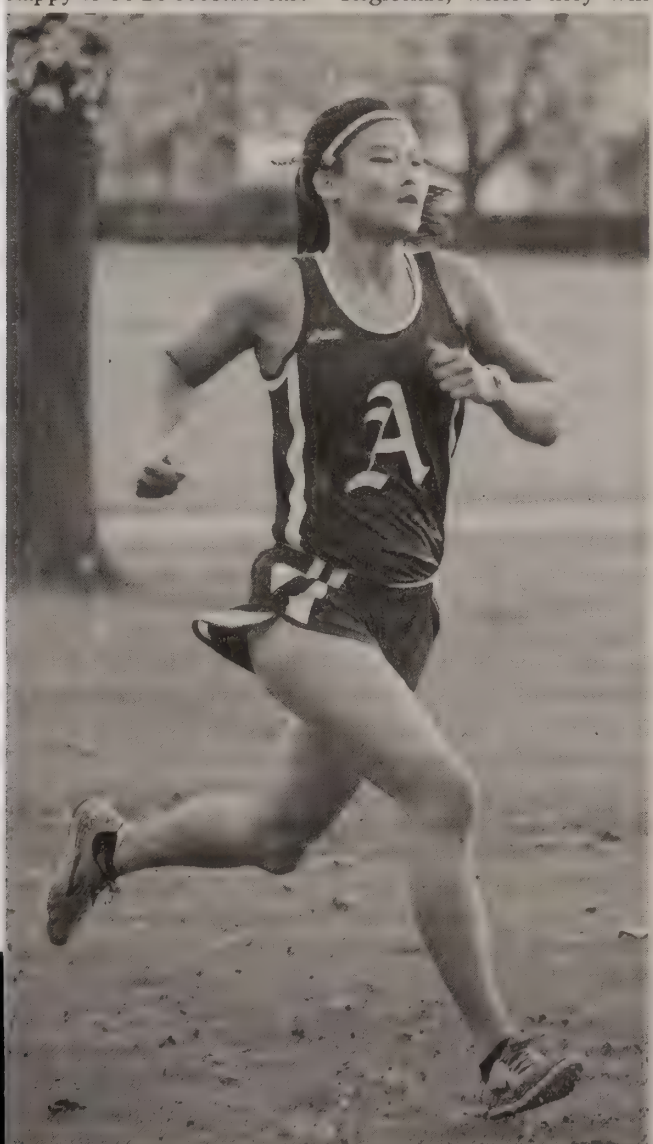
"This year, I think we had a really strong team, and throughout the season we kept seeing how our Varsity packs kept getting closer and closer together. I think that, at Interschols, having a tight pack was really important for us to do in order to place, and we truly accomplished that," said Barbosa.

One of the reasons for Andover's success on the course was its experience on the St. Paul's course. The team defeated St. Paul's earlier in the season 27-28 on October 9.

Shehadeh added, "I was so proud of us on Saturday. Our team is so united and strong, and we pulled together, and our third place finish came from nothing more than all the hard work we've put in."

Looking forward, Andover will look to use its highlights this season to improve on its 5-1 record and capture the Championships next season.

McGovern said, "This year's performance was excellent as a team. We really bonded. We have had some races where our second through seventh were a minute apart from each other. That's a great statistic because it shows that we have people working as packs and running better times. Our record showed how strong [we were] and how much depth we had." 11/15/13



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QiQi Ren '15 rounded out Andover's top three on Saturday.

Sport: Girls Varsity Field Hockey

Year: 2013

Captains: Amy Morin, Hannah Sorkin

Coach: Kate Dolan

Assistant Coach: Caroline Polley

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LETTER WINNERS

Aiello, Ashlyn
Burns, Hannah
Cabral, Olivia
Cregg, Hannah
Davidson, Alexandra
Dolan, Lila
Fucillo, Anna
Jacobs, Matthew
Jarvis, Charlie
Krikorian, Beth
Marcus, Julia
McCarthy, Kelly
Mehlman, Emma
Morin, Amy
Overly, Kristen
Overly, Lauren
Quigley, Eliza
Simpson, Naomi
Sorkin, Hannah
Toffoloni, Evagelia
Toffoloni, Katerina
Toffoloni, Nikoletta

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Field Hockey Varsity
2013 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
	Aiello, Ashlyn	GK	2014	Belmont, MA
1	Cabral, Olivia	M	2014	Topsfield, MA
2	Dolan, Lila	D	2015	Andover, MA
3	Burns, Hannah	M	2015	Upper Brookville, NY
4	Sorkin, Hannah*	D	2014	Melville, NY
5	Toffoloni, Evagelia	F	2015	Westwood, MA
6	Toffoloni, Nikoletta	D	2015	Westwood, MA
7	Toffoloni, Katerina	F	2015	Westwood, MA
8	Overly, Lauren	F	2017	Columbus, OH
10	Davidson, Alexandra	M	2017	North Andover, MA
11	Morin, Amy*	D	2014	Lynnfield, MA
12	Krikorian, Beth	M	2017	Windham, NH
13	Quigley, Eliza	F	2015	Marblehead, MA
15	Overly, Kristen	F	2015	Columbus, OH
16	Marcus, Julia	F	2015	Greenwich, CT
18	McCarthy, Kelly	M	2016	Lynnfield, MA
21	Fucillo, Anna	M	2015	Winthrop, MA
22	Simpson, Naomi	D	2014	Glasgow, SCO
24	Mehlman, Emma	D	2014	Brookline, MA
25	Jarvis, Charlie	F	2015	Watertown, MA
29	Cregg, Hannah	D	2016	Andover, MA

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Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/11 @ 3:30 PM	Tilton		Scrimmage	
9/16 @ 4:30 PM	Thayer	H	Scrimmage	
9/18 @ 3:15 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Game	W 4-1
9/23 @ 7:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	W 2-1
9/27 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks		Game	W 3-1
9/28 @ 1:45 PM	Tabor		Game	L 3-4
10/2 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's Academy		Game	W 3-0
10/5 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 1-0
10/9 @ 3:00 PM	Milton	H	Game	W 2-1
10/12 @ 2:30 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	W 4-1
10/16 @ 3:15 PM	Middlesex		Game	T 1-1 OT
10/19 @ 2:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 3-1
10/23 @ 3:15 PM	B. B. & N.	H	Game	W 3-1
10/26 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 3-2
10/30 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 3-6
11/2 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing	H	Game	W 1-0
11/9 @ 12:00 PM	Exeter		Game	L 3-4
11/13 @ 2:15 PM	Westminster		Tournament	L 1-4

Highlights

Lawrence Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/18/2013 11:15 AM	H	Game		4-1

PAFH Post 4-1 Win over Lawrence Academy

On a glorious September afternoon, with weather picture perfect for field hockey, Phillips Academy's varsity squad took the field for their home opener vs. Lawrence Academy.
After plenty of preseason preparation and two scrimmages, the Big Blue came out firing on all cylinders scoring three goals while the defense held off a few Lawrence breakaways in the first half.
In the second half, Lawrence seemed to pick up their pace, but the PAFH team stood strong. Coach Dolan called a time out to reorganize with 10 minutes left to play and the team responded with a quick goal to put the score at 4-0. With a minute left in the game, Lawrence effectively broke down the PAFH defense scoring a nice goal off of a passing sequence in the circle.
All in all, it was a great way to start the season and PAFH looks forward to hosting Loomis at home this Friday night at 7pm on the turf.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/23/2013 3:00 PM	H	Game		2-1

Nice 2-1 for PA Varsity Field Hockey over Loomis

PAFH played an exciting game against formidable opponent, Loomis Chaffee, Friday night. Any night game under the lights is exciting in itself, but the aggressive play of both teams made this game one for the memory books. Andover was able to control most of the offense, earning 19 corners over the course of the game, but Loomis had a determined defense and thwarted several of the Big Blue's attempts in the circle. The game was 0-0 at the half. It was clear that whomever scored first would have the momentum. PAFH executed a corner perfectly about 10 minutes into the second half to go up on the scoreboard 1-0. With more back and forth play in the midfield; Andover struck again 20 minutes into the half with a nice break away on goal. The ever determined Loomis squad effectively broke down the defense with one minute to go, leaving the final score 2-1.
PAFH is now 2-0 and looks forward to next week when we travel to Brooks and Tabor.

Brooks

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/27/2013 12:30 PM		Game		3-1

PAFH Beats Town Rival Brooks, 3-1

The PA Field Hockey team traveled to our cross-town rival, Brooks School, on a spectacular Friday afternoon. Looking to avenge a loss from last year, the Big Blue came out firing on all cylinders.
PA got on the board first with a scrabble in front of the goal; however, the strong Brooks team responded with a breakaway one-on-one with the goal to tie the score. The halftime score was 1-1 and the intensity on the field was palpable.
PA decided to focus on positivity, hard work, and team play in the second half. The team scored a goal after breaking down a Brooks corner and earning a fast break on the Brooks goalie. Although we were ahead, we had to keep to the task at hand, as the Brooks team continued to force corners and earned many opportunities in our defensive zone. PA sealed the victory with beautiful set play off a corner and the game ended in the Big Blue's favor, 3-1.
Back at it again today, the Big Blue travel to Tabor to take on a tough Class A opponent.

Tabor

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 9:45 AM		Game		3-4

PAFH ends up a goal short in a high scoring game

The Big Blue field hockey team took the long road trip to Tabor on a beautiful Saturday to face off against the strong Class A opponent. Fresh off an emotional win, the team knew they had to rebound physically and mentally to keep the game competitive.
Andover got on the board quickly, with a nice goal off a well-executed corner. Tabor answered back with a goal of their own, but minutes later, a scrum in front of the Tabor goalie put the Big Blue back on top 2-1 going into the second half. Tabor scored the go ahead goal midway through the second half, but the mental toughness of the Big Blue was unmatched as they answered with the equalizer within a minute to tie the game at 3-3. Tabor's late game goal proved to be the game winner as the day ended 4-3; despite a late offensive surge by Andover.
The team looks to refocus their efforts at practice on Monday and will take on Governor's Academy this Wednesday.

Governor's Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/2/2013 11:00 AM		Game		3-0

PAFH brings home a 3-0 win

The Big Blue played its most complete game to date against a strong opponent. The team controlled the flow and tempo of the game and managed to keep the ball in the offensive end for most of the game. All aspects of team paly were solid, from forwards to midfielders to defense. The team got on the board in the first half with a nice goal from a patient and determined offense. The second and third goal came in the second half off of well executed passing and rushing the goalie. The team looks to become laser focused as it enters a difficult portion of the schedule.

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 12:45 PM	H	Game		1-0

Big Blue beats Wild Boars 1-0

The Big Blue came out firing putting a goal on the board 5 minutes into the first half; however, the Choate defense proved to be unstoppable for the remainder of the game, with the particularly strong play of the Wild Boars' goalie. Andover had a few chances throughout the game, maintaining the advantage in shots and corners, but could not convert another goal, leaving the final outcome at 1-0. It was a close game and we look forward to working hard this week.

Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 11:00 AM	H	Game		2-1

Andover 2 Milton 1

The Big Blue came out slightly flat to start the game and allowed an early Milton goal in the first half. A timeout to regroup was all PAFH needed to get their mojo back, putting a goal in midway through the first half. Capitalizing on the energy, the attack scored again minutes later off a beautiful corner execution. The defense was the unsung hero today, fiercely marking our opponent and making exceptional clears to the midfielders and forwards. The team looks forward to hosting St. Paul's this Saturday.

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/12/2013 10:30 AM	H	Game		4-1

4-1 Win for PAFH over SPS

On a rainy day the PAFH girls ignored the weather and came to play. While the team did let in one goal, the Big Blue dominated possession, shots and offensive corners. A true team effort, the entire squad was able to contribute and looks to keep getting better as they take on top opponents in the second half of the season.

Middlesex

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/16/2013 11:15 AM	A	Game		1-1 OT

PAFH ties Zebras 1-1

The Big Blue took to a field dressed in pink against Middlesex to play in their annual breast cancer awareness game. Middlesex did an awesome job of decorating the field and creating a touching atmosphere to mark the even. Middlesex came out firing, getting on the board early with a nice goal off a well executed corner. PAFH responded, taking charge of the game and outshooting the Zebras, finding the back of the net in the second half of the game. The big Blue kept the pressure on, earning more corners and creating many opportunities off of their tireless efforts. The two teams went into overtime, and kudos to a speedy, gritty and skilled Middlesex squad for their effort to bring the game to a tie after a thrilling OT. PAFH looks forward to parents weekend this Saturday!

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 10:00 AM	H	Game		3-1

Family Weekend Win for PAFH

The PAFH team gave the parents a nice show in a beautiful October afternoon, outshooting their opponent and holding the significant advantage in corners. It was a true team effort with every single person contributing to the win. PAFH looks forward to coming back refreshed after a long weekend.

B. B. & N.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/23/2013 11:15 AM	H	Game		3-1

PAFH post 3-1 Come From Behind Win

Andover had a tough start to the game on a chilly Wednesday afternoon, allowing BB&N to score the first goal of the game. However, that sparked the furry in the PAFH girls and the game went into the half, tied 1-1. The Big Blue put together a great second half, outshooting BB&N and holding the advantage on corners. Two more goals lead to a 3-1 win for the girls in blue.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:15 AM		Game		3-2

PAFH beats Deerfield 3-2

The girls in blue came off the bus firing against Deerfield on a cold and windy fall day. Five minutes into the first half, PAFH scored a brilliant goal; however, Deerfield responded quickly, scoring the equalizer just a few short minutes later. At the half, the Big Blue made some defensive adjustments that proved fruitful and they were able to take a 3-1 lead with 10 minutes remaining in the game. Deerfield fought hard though and earned 10 corners in the second half, converting one to a goal with 5 minutes to go to make the score 3-2. Despite a late surge by Deerfield, PAFH came home with the well-deserved win.

Noble & Greenough

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/30/2013 11:30 AM	H	Game		3-6

Tough Loss to Nobles
The game vs Nobles started off quickly, with PAFH going down 2-0 about 15 minutes into the first half. The Big Blue responded fiercely tying the score at 2-2 before Nobles pulled ahead 4-2. PAFH was able to put in one more goal before the half, with a halftime score of 4-3. Nobles controlled the speed and tempo of the second half, capitalizing on opportunities to make the final score 6-3. The team looks forward to hosting Cushing on Saturday.

Cushing

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 11:15 AM	H	Game		1-0

PAFH wins 1-0

On a beautiful Saturday afternoon, PAFH hosted Cushing in a tough match up. The Big Blue held the advantage in shots on goal, possession and offensive corners; however, they only managed to put the ball in the goal once before the final horn. PAFH looks forward to a week of preparation for their game against Exeter.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 7:00 AM	[redacted]	Game		3-4

Big Blue falls to Big Red

PAFH played a hard fought game against the Big Red in a highly anticipated match between the two squads. Exeter got on the board early, scoring off of a breakaway about 2 minutes into the game. This proved to be the wake up call the team needed as the offense went on a mission and put into 2 goals to take the lead. Unfortunately, Exeter tied it up before the half. In the second half, Andover took command and went up with a beautiful goal off of a corner to take the lead 3-2; however, true to the rivalry, the game continued to be a fight. The Big Red of Exeter was able to put two more goals on the board and PAFH could not respond soon enough. The game ended 4-3 in favor of Exeter. We look forward to hosting the game next year!

FIELD HOCKEY

Andover Dominates Tilton in Scrimmage

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9
Tilton	0

Andover Field Hockey, led by Co-Captains Amy Morin '14 and Hannah Sorkin '14, team up with 16 returning letterman with eyes on a New England Prep School title this fall.

The team is off to a good start, defeating Tilton in a friendly scrimmage 9-0.

Andover had a strong playoff run last year and only lost two players for the upcoming season. The team looks to use its experience to its advantage. There are six returning Seniors, nine Uppers and one Lower.

"Our experience should be a strength. We hopefully have learned from the games that got away from us last year due to inconsistency with our intensity and sense of urgency," said Coach Kate Dolan.

"I think we struggled the most last year with getting started because we needed to find our identity as a team and find out how each other worked, but once we did that, we made it all the way to the playoffs, which was awesome," said Morin. "Going into this year, we will have to bring those same things we learned last year as well as find out who we are as a team this year specifically."

"I am confident that we are not going to be a team with one or two stars carrying the team on their back," said Sorkin.

The girls coming back for their final season as Seniors are Co-Captains Sorkin and Morin, Olivia Cabral '14, Emma Mehlman '14, Sarah Marcotte '14 and Ashlyn Aiello '14, the team's goalie.

"Ashlyn is amazing, so keep your eye out for her and how many saves she makes and the quality of her saves," said Sorkin.

Joining the team this year will be new Senior Naomi Simpson '14, Charlie Jarvis '15, Hannah Cregg '16 and three Juniors, Lexi Davidson, Beth Krikorian and Lauren Overly.

"Everyone is going to contribute to the team-whether in practice, games or on the side lines. On [the team] we really emphasize the fact that everyone contributes to the team one way or another, whether you play every minute in a game or none," said Sorkin.

"Preseason went really well, so I am really excited for the upcoming season," added Morin. "I think the strength this year is definitely in our numbers. Not only do we have a lot of really talented returners, we have a really promising group of new kids too, and the team is looking really strong together."

This preseason, the girls worked on getting balls to open spaces and on fundamentals such as passing and stickhandling, practices evident in Andover's first friendly scrimmage at Tilton.

"We have been working on taking the ball out of pressure, an d we did a really good job of doing that, also passing backwards instead of trying to force passes," said Morin.

Andover dominated the entire game with goals coming from Hannah Burns '15, Evagelia Toffoloni '15, Lexi Davidson '16, Cabral, Lauren Overly, Kristin Overly '15 and Katerina Toffoloni '15.

Andover looks to keep the ball rolling against Thayer on Monday in their first home game of the season. 9/13/13

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Field Hockey hit the ground running with a 9-0 win in its scrimmage with Tilton. Evagelia Toffoloni '15 photographed above.

Strong Defense Garners Two-Win Start

By Payton Jancsy
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Andover	2
Thayer	1

Andover	4
Lawrence	1

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Anna Fucillo '15 pulls past a Lawrence defender.

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 stole the show in Andover Field Hockey's first regular season home game this past Wednesday as she led Andover to its 4-1 win, scoring all four goals.

Coming off strong performances against Tilton and Thayer in scrimmages, Andover came out ready to play against a formidable Lawrence Academy team.

Andover dominated play at both ends of the field and cruised past Lawrence.

"The goals were a testament to our great team chemistry on the field. We moved the ball well and were able to capitalize on our opportunities," said Toffoloni.

Toffoloni's first two goals in the first half proved to be all Andover needed to put away Lawrence Academy.

"Eva is very consistent with her stick skills and her larger game sense makes her able to lead the team's offense on the field," said Hannah Burns '15.

All four of Toffoloni's goals were the result of her going strong to the net and jamming home a rebound.

"Eva always gives 100 percent in practice and her hard work and dedication really show up in the games," said Co-Captain Hannah Sorkin '14.

Andover was not only a constant threat on offense, but also maintained a strong presence on defense led by the goalie, Ashlyn Aiello '14. Aiello made numerous saves, including many key rebound opportunities for Lawrence.

The save of the game came in the second half when Lawrence Academy was throwing all they had at Aiello, who made save after save. Just as one of the Lawrence Academy players thought she had an open net, Aiello dove from one post to the opposite one and saved what should have been Lawrence Academy's first goal of the game.

The sweepers did a great job clearing balls away from the net and releasing Lawrence Academy's offensive pressures. Co-Captain Amy Morin '14, Sorkin and Naomi Simpson '14 all did a superb job stopping Lawrence on its rushes.

"Our defenseman have been playing great! They are making interceptions, creating fast breaks, protecting the goalie and working with the midfield to take away the other team's time and space," said Sorkin.

Andover came into this game with a lot of momentum, beating a strong Thayer team 2-1 last Monday.

Andover capitalized on Thayer's mistakes, as both of its goals came from Lexi Davidson '17 in the corners.

"I am a midfielder and that helps me get lots of touches on the ball. They have also made me a shooter on the corners, which gives me more opportunities," said Davidson.

Aiello also had another great performance against Thayer. She faced about ten shots and stopped all of them under pressure, including a Thayer breakaway within the first five minutes.

On Friday, Andover takes on Loomis Chaffee under the lights at Phelps Stadium at 7 p.m.

Loomis will be Andover's biggest test yet.

"The team is shaping up really well. We are really coming together as a team, and our passing is looking really good. I think everyone is excited to play under the lights and so excited to keep our winning streak going," said Morin.

"I think we bring intensity and energy into each game, we have the potential of having an amazing season." said Toffoloni. 9/20/13

FIELDHOCKEY

Victory Under the Lights

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover 2
Loomis 1

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 scored the game winning goal against Loomis when she pounced on a rebound off the Loomis goalie and tucked the rebound in the goal.

E.AVVAKUMOVA *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Eliza Quigley '15 takes the ball past a defender.

Andover Field Hockey faced a tough opponent in Loomis Chaffee under the lights of Phelps Stadium, but Andover's strong defense held Loomis to only two shots on net throughout the entire game.

Andover was able to pull a 2-1 victory last Friday night.

"Loomis beat us last year 4-2, so we were seeking revenge against them. We knew they would be a tough opponent and we would have to fight to keep our composure and poise," said Lila Dolan '15.

Both teams exchanged scoring opportunities in the first half. Both teams had difficulty finding the back of the net, and the first half ended knotted at zero.

"At halftime, Coach Dolan said that it was the best she had seen us play, and that sometimes you can dominate a game, but you still don't get the results you want. She told us that if we keep playing as hard as we were playing that we would come out on top," said Eliza Quigley '15.

Andover led in every category with a total of 12 shots and 19 corners.

Ten minutes into the second half a ball finally bounced Andover's way on an offensive corner. The ball was sent to Lexi Davidson '17, who fired a shot on net that deflected off of the stick of Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 and into the net.

Andover started to control the play after Nikoletta Toffoloni's goal. The team had an opportunity to score on a breakaway from Quigley, as she used her speed to pass Loomis's defenders and get a shot on net that the goalie was able to save.

After ten minutes of Andover controlling the play, the team was able to rally around its momentum and add to its lead when Evagelia Toffoloni crashed the net and finished on a rebound that had Loomis's goalie out of position.

"I think my goal raised the energy level. We were definitely excited, but Loomis also didn't let up. They held their own until the end of the game, so we had to match their intensity in order to secure our win," said Evagelia Toffoloni.

Loomis would not go down without a fight, bringing everything it had in the last ten minutes. Loomis capitalized on an offensive push with about five minutes left in the second half, cutting Andover's lead in half.

Andover exemplified its strong defense in the remaining minutes to hold off Loomis's offensive charge at the end of the game, resulting in a 2-1 win for Andover.

"It was a huge win, it showed us how well we can play when we all play together. We need to keep that momentum going into our Brooks game," said Quigley.

Andover looks to keep its winning streak alive this weekend, as it travels to Brooks on Friday and then down to Tabor on Saturday.

9/27/13

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Evagelia Toffoloni '15

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 has dominated three varsity sports since her Junior year at Andover, most recently nailing the winning goal last Friday. This season alone, she has claimed five of six goals for Andover Field Hockey. Her unmatched skill and devotion to Andover Athletics has earned her the title of The Phillipian's Athlete of the Week.

When did you start playing field hockey and why?

I started playing a little in school in seventh grade. I joined a club team the summer before freshman year, and that's when I really began to love the sport.

What's it like having both your sisters on the team with you?

I love having both my sisters on the team with me. We work well with each other and we can anticipate each other's every move. As players, I think we are all different in the way we play. We all have different strengths and weaknesses, so it is hard to compare us out on the field.

Of your three sports, field hockey, ice hockey, and lacrosse, which is your favorite and why?

Ice hockey actually used to be my favorite sport. I grew up playing ice hockey all the time. When I started to play field hockey seriously, I fell in love with the sport. Field hockey has a completely different style of play and I love the finesse and skill set that you use out on the field.

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How do you manage sports and school work?

Because I have grown up playing sports, it has never been difficult to manage the two. In fact, when I don't have a game or if I have a break from sports, I find it harder to do schoolwork. Once you get into the routine of balancing thè two, it is actually hard to do without one.

Favorite number?

My favorite number is definitely five. I have had number five for all three sports and I guess I have just become attached to it.

Who is your favorite athlete/role model?

I look up to every athlete. I love watching players that are better than me and I always try to mimic their style of play. Last summer, I watched Argentina play the U.S. Women's National Team. Naturally I watched number five, as five is my number in sports too. Melissa Gonzalez was such an amazing player. Later that day I was able to get her autograph. I also have had her coach me in a clinic as well. I love her energy and her passion for the sport.

Most memorable experience on the field/during practice?

One of my most memorable experiences didn't involve winning or scoring. It was last year during the practice right before the playoff game. I just remember everyone being so ready to play. The energy was so high. It started to turn dark, and there was this beautiful sunset. It was probably the most beautiful sunset I have ever seen. I just remember playing in the stadium with the people I love and playing the sport I love. I remember thinking to myself—wow, I'm so lucky.

Do you have any pre-game rituals?

PAFH has a pre-game ritual for home games that always pumps me up. Before every game, we shut off the lights in the locker room and we play the same motivational speech loudly on the speakers. The room is completely silent as everyone is visualizing and getting ready for the game. When the speech ends, we turn on the lights and we all scream. This ritual always gets me fired up.

Favorite way to celebrate a victory?

I always love when the buzzer goes off, and our whole team runs to our goalie. It is the best feeling ever. After every win, PAFH gathers in a circle, in the same exact place every time. We talk about the game and then we end with a cheer we do only after games we win. It is a pretty special moment.

9/27/12

Best In Town: Victorious Over Brooks and Gov's

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Eva Toffoloni '15 picked up the rebound off Co-Captain Hannah Sorkin '14 and passed to Anna Fucillo '15, who slapped the ball into the back of the net for a 2-1 lead halfway through the second half.

Andover Field Hockey traveled to Brooks this past Friday looking to avenge its loss to last year's cross-town rival and nabbed a 3-1 win. On Saturday, Andover fell to Tabor 4-3, but rallied to beat Governor's Academy 3-0 on Wednesday.

Against Brooks, Eva Toffoloni was a constant offensive threat from the first whistle, tallying Andover's first goal off a pass from Eliza Quigley '15 at 15:15 in the first half.

"Scoring first always gives us confidence. We feel as if it gives us a solid handle on the game and power to move forward and play even harder," said Hannah Burns '15.

Seven minutes later, Brooks answered with a breakaway goal, tying the score at 1-1. Goalie Ashlyn Aiello '14 stopped the first shot but missed the rebound.

Andover was quick to recover with Fucillo's goal off the back of the net.

Andover ensured a win on its third goal off an offensive corner with just under three minutes left in the game. After receiving an outlet pass from Nikoletta Toffoloni '15, Lexi Davidson '17 set the play up with a shot from the top of the circle that Quigley picked up and placed in the net.

"It felt great to beat Brooks, especially because they walked onto the field thinking that they were going to get a win," said Eva Toffoloni.

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Anna Fucillo '15 drives the winning goal against Brooks.

Playing in Marion, Mass., Tabor dealt Andover its first loss of the season. Andover took the lead early, capitalizing on a corner less than five minutes into the game when Davidson received the ball at the top of the circle and fired a shot past the goalie.

Tabor answered, but Andover take the lead 2-1 before halftime when Lauren Overly '17 banged home a goal off a scrum out front.

Midway through the second half, Tabor was able to regain the lead 3-2, until Eva Toffoloni responded within a minute of Tabor's goal to tie the score at 3-3.

However, Andover struggled as Tabor took the lead with about four minutes left in the second half. Despite a late game push, Andover was unable to score again.

However, Andover turned the tables on Wednesday, out-shooting Governor's 13 to 3 in a 3-0 victory.

"We took our loss and used it for motivation in practices and games. In the Governor's game opposed to the Tabor game, we hustled more, played with more intensity. We communicated better, and we played to our strengths," said Sorkin.

Once again, Eva Toffoloni started Andover's lead off of a corner about halfway through the first half, and Andover carried its lead into the second half. Ten minutes in, Quigley scored Andover's second unanswered goal.

Burns put the game out of reach, rifling home the third goal off of a fast break.

Andover, with a 4-1 record, looks to use its momentum against Choate at home this Saturday.

10/4/13

Offense Outshoots and Outplays Opponents, Goes Undefeated This Week

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Choate	0

Andover	2
Milton	1

Four minutes into Saturday's game against Choate, Lexi Davidson '17 fired a shot on net and Katerina Toffoloni '15 readily banged home the rebound, giving Andover Field Hockey a 1-0 lead.

This proved to be all the offense Andover needed, as it won the game 1-0.

Andover's offense dominated, outshooting Choate 18-4 and achieving 12 offensive corners to Choate's six.

"It was a really close game and my goal helped set the pace for the rest of the game and give us the lead. When I got the ball out front I saw the left side open so I faked right and drove the ball into the left corner," said Katerina Toffoloni.

Ashlyn Aiello '14 was a force in net. She has allowed only one goal in the past three games.

Andover's 1-0 win was a great momentum builder going into Wednesday's game against Milton Academy, a strong opponent that upset Andover last year.

Andover was down early after Milton converted on a breakaway less than five minutes into the game.

However, the team responded quickly, and ten minutes later, Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 found a loose ball in a scrum outfront and hammered it into the goal to tie the game at 1-1.

"We knew that this was a big game going into it and that we had to win. When we were down a goal, we remembered how horrible the feeling was after our loss last year to Milton, so that was the motivation that kept us fighting" said Nikoletta Toffoloni.

After five more minutes of play, Andover took advantage of one of its 14 corners of the day when Davidson rifled home a shot from the top of the circle.

"Nikoletta passed the ball out to me and I knew we needed a goal to regain some momentum, so I put my head down and rifled one home," said Davidson.

Andover entered the second half with a 2-1 lead and clinched its victory, allowing no other shots for the rest of the game.

Andover's offense has been especially strong lately, outshooting its opponents in the last two games 21-13. The team looks to apply this pressure against St. Paul's, which has a 2-5 record, this Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at Phelps Stadium. 10/11/13

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Lexi Davidson '17 netted the only goal of the game in Andover's win against Choate.

Toffoloni Triple Threat: Sisters Secure All Five Goals

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
St. Paul's	1

Andover	1
Middlesex	1

Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 opened up the scoring as she capitalized on one of Andover's 14 corners, finding a loose ball out front and banging it home less than five minutes into Field Hockey's game against St. Paul's.

Andover dominated St. Paul's from start to finish, winning the game in decisive fashion 4-1, and outshotting St. Paul's 19-1.

The match against St. Paul's marked the beginning of this week's trend of leadership from Eva Toffoloni '15, Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 and Katerina Toffoloni '15. They scored all five of Andover's goals and led the team in its win over St. Paul's and its tie at an away game against Middlesex this past Wednesday.

Following Nikoletta Toffoloni's goal, the Andover offense relentlessly attacked for the next 20 minutes of play. It reaped the rewards of its efforts as Eva Toffoloni scored with just over four minutes left in the half.

"Eva is just relentless—she runs hard each game, every play. That is simply who she is. That is how she practices too—her hustle and drive are second to none," said Head Coach Kate Dolan.

St. Paul's lone shot came off of its only corner at the beginning of the second half. The ball snuck past Andover's goalkeeper and found the back of the net to bring St. Paul's within one point of Andover.

Andover responded quickly. Less than a minute later, Eva Toffoloni fired home her second goal of the game to double the team's lead back to two.

Andover's last insurance goal came five minutes later, when Katerina Toffoloni found the ball in front of the net and jammed home the fourth and final goal.

"Eva [Toffoloni], Eliza [Quigley '15] and I were working well together and creating many opportunities as a line; and luckily I was able to capitalize on one of our chances by being in the right spot and putting the ball in the right hand corner," said Katerina Toffoloni.

On Wednesday, Andover took on Middlesex in the "Playing for Pink" game, in which both teams wore pink jerseys in celebration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

"We weren't just fighting for the blue, we were fighting for pink," said Lila Dolan '15.

Both teams battled back and forth throughout the entire game, which ended in a 1-1 tie.

Right from the beginning, Middlesex established itself as a very competitive team, outshooting Andover 6-2 in the first half.

Strong defense kept Andover in the game and Ashlyn Aiello '14, the goalie, made four consecutive saves on four rebound shots.

Less than a minute after they had called a timeout to draw up a play, Middlesex was able to get one past Aiello off of a reboud 15 minutes into the second half.

"We kept on reminding each other when we were down that this game was bigger than us. We were fighting for all those out there who had to battle cancer," said Eva Toffoloni.

With just over five minutes left, Eva Toffoloni broke past three Middlesex defenders and buried the tying goal through the goalkeeper's five hole. This was only the third goal Middlesex has let in all season.

"She pulled through when we needed it most. She single handedly put all the momentum back on our side—it was a total game changer," said Quigley.

"I was playing for Catherine Anderson ['12], a PAFH alumna, who is now in remission from Hotchkins Lymphoma. I was also playing for my aunt Debbie, who just got a double mastectomy. I fought today for what they had to go through," said Eva Toffoloni.

The game went into overtime when the game ended knotted at 1-1.

Andover dug deep and dominated the ten-minute overtime even though it was unable to find the back of the net.

The closest Andover came to sealing the deal was off of Eva Toffoloni's penalty stroke. She snapped a shot that was headed for the top right corner, when Middlesex's goalie lept into the air and swatted it to the ground, saving the game.

"To be honest, I have no idea what I said to the team. It's them, their effort that matters most, not anything I say," said Coach Dolan.

Andover looks to carry over its efforts against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) at 2 p.m. this Saturday at Phelps Stadium.

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Eva Toffoloni '15, the eldest of the Toffoloni sisters, scored three of Andover's five goals this past week.

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Amy Morin

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Hannah Sorkin

Co-Captains Amy Morin '14 and Hannah Sorkin '14 are defending Andover Field Hockey's net well, leading the team to a five-game winning streak with a 7-1-1 record. Both Morin and Sorkin are defensive players who have been on the team for three years.

Morin is a four-year Senior from Lynnfield, Mass. As a three-year veteran, she leads the team by example. "[Amy] is committed to helping her teammates and she is an exemplary role model," wrote Head Coach Kate Dolan in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*. "She is everything you want in a leader: calm, composed under pressure, selfless, approachable and dedicated to the team."

"Amy is so special because she is so mother-like. She takes the time out of her day to make sure that she is checking up on everyone," said Kelly McCarthy '16.

Amy views her previous captains as guides to her own experience as a captain.

"I've always looked up to my captains and said 'I want my Senior year to be like that,'" said Morin.

The other half of Andover Field Hockey's captaincy, Hannah Sorkin, is a three-year Senior from Long Island, NY.

After being elected Captain, Sorkin realized that she would need to complement her skill of "leading by example" by being more vocal.

"I've realized that I need to more of a vocal leader. I would give everything 110 percent, and maybe that would expect our team to give 110 percent too," said Sorkin.

Despite suffering a critical injury last year, Sorkin has continued to play an important role on defense.

Sorkin, a tri-varsity athlete who plays field hockey, ice hockey and lacrosse, committed to Princeton University this past winter for ice hockey.

"Hannah deserves huge praise for her ability to return from a knee injury she suffered last fall in our game against Exeter. Few people realize the tremendous physical and mental effort required to bounce back from such an injury—it is a true test of an athlete's fortitude." wrote Coach Dolan.

Coach Dolan also praised Sorkin's skills as a defender. "She rushes on our defensive corners and her ability to disrupt opponents' corners is critical."

"She has great ball control, and she is very good with her left hand which is rare in field hockey," said McCarthy.

As Co-Captains, it is natural that the pair have become close over the season. Their friendship, however, goes beyond the working relationship that the captaincy brings.

"Amy is my best friend here," said Sorkin. "Even though we live four and a half hours away from one another, we'll still hang out."

Morin added on, "[People] think we're conjoined at the hip. I basically live on her couch."

Coach Dolan wrote, "Amy and Hannah are leaders by example—they work hard, put the team first and respect their teammates."

Morin and Sorkin will look to use their unique bond as Co-Captains and best friends to propel Andover Field Hockey to its first Championship in the past 20 years.

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Girls Continue Hot Streak with Two Wins

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
NMH	1

Andover	3
BB&N	1

With less than five seconds left in the first half versus Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH), Lexi Davidson '17 fed the ball into the circle, where Eva Toffoloni '15 passed to Julia Marcus '15, who banged it home to secure a 3-1 win.

Andover dominated NMH, outshooting the opposing team 13-3, with 21 offensive corners to NMH's three.

While holding its opponent to one shot in the first half, Andover capitalized on two of its eight shots. Eva Toffoloni started off the scoring with 8:54 left in the first half off a rebound from the slot, followed by Marcus's goal.

"It felt good to finally be able to contribute. Eva fired the pass to me backdoor and I was able to bury it low right side," said Marcus.

Thirteen minutes into the second half, NMH was able to bring the game within one off a backdoor goal, but less than two minutes later Eva Toffoloni was able to convert on a scramble in front of the goal to put Andover back up by two.

"After facing a few bumps in the road, we have been able to get better exponentially each and every single game in terms of hustle and heart. This game was a great example of how we were able to play all 60 minutes," said Kelly McCarthy '16.

Andover built off of its decisive win this Wednesday when it faced BB&N at home. Despite having a slow start, the team was able to string together a positive end to the first half and an even more encouraging start to the second.

"Eva, Kat [Toffoloni '15] and [Nikoletta] Toffoloni ['15] attended BB&N growing up, and it was important for them to win. Because it was important for them, it was important for us. We stuck together as a team, and were able to fight back and win," said Davidson.

Andover fell behind early 1-0, but was not deterred.

Less than ten minutes after BB&N's first goal, Nikoletta Toffoloni lined up on a corner and moved the ball out to Davidson, who fired the ball on net. Eliza Quigley '15 then swooped in for the rebound and was able to put one that trickled through the goalie's legs where Nikoletta Toffoloni was waiting to score the loose ball.

After tying it up 1-1 at the half, Andover began to build momentum.

Andover shut out BB&N in the second half, only allowing three shots as a result of excellent goaltending and stonewall defense.

The go-ahead goal was scored by Eva Toffoloni as she dodged two BB&N defenders and fired one past the goalkeeper.

"Eva is fantastic. She never fails to bring her A game. Some of the things she is able to do [are] unbelievable—this was one of her many amazing goals," said Beth Krikorian '17.

With under ten minutes left in the game, Eva Toffoloni sealed the deal for Andover by scoring the third and final goal of the game.

"These next few games are very important. One more win and we are in the double digit column which would be huge," said McCarthy.

For the last eight games, Andover has been 7-0-1 and looks to build off of this winning streak against Deerfield this Saturday. 10/25/13

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Hannah Burns '15 snipes the ball from a BB&N player down the middle of the field.

First and Second Career Goals From Krikorian '17 Propel Girls to Victory Over Deerfield

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Deerfield	2

Andover	3
Nobles	0

Hunting for a loose ball in front of the Deerfield goal, Beth Krikorian '17 angled her stick to redirect a blazing shot from Eliza Quigley '15 to score the first goal of her Andover career, which proved to be the game winner.

This was the first of Krikorian's pair of goals in Andover's crucial 3-2 win over Deerfield Academy this past Saturday.

Less than five minutes into the game, Lexi Davidson '17 scored a goal from a free start.

"I saw that Deerfield's defense weren't set up, so I dribbled the ball into the circle and was able to beat the goalie from about 10 yards out," said Davidson.

Deerfield battled back, scoring the equalizer only a few minutes later.

The game went into the half tied at 1-1, with each team having taken four shots.

Twelve minutes into the second half, Krikorian capitalized on her first opportunity and gave Andover a 2-1 lead.

"It felt great to score my first one, but I was more excited that I was able to put the team up one in such a crucial game," said Krikorian.

Less than ten minutes later, Krikorian buried her second goal of the game off of another tipped ball into the Deerfield net, this time from the stick of Evagelia Toffoloni '15.

"I saw that I needed to fill in the right lane, as the play progressed. Eva [Toffoloni] ran down the left lane and fed me a pass across the cage that I was able to tip in," said Krikorian.

Deerfield did not slow down as the game came to a close. They earned ten corners in the second half, converting only one into a goal.

Andover was able to hold off Deerfield's last offensive surge, sealing its victory 3-2 and extending its winning streak to nine games.

Despite success against Deerfield, Nobles (12-1-0) ended Andover's winning streak this Wednesday. The team suffered a 6-3 loss, its second of the season.

Nobles was able to score its first goal less than 10 minutes into the game off of a rebound. Ashlyn Aiello '16 made a great save on the initial shot, but Andover could not clear out the front of the net and the rebound ended up right on a Nobles player's stick, who put it in the back of the net.

Andover went down by two goals before Eliza Quigley '15 was able to put away a rebound off of a shot by Nikoletta Toffoloni '15, getting Andover within one.

"There was a scrum out front of the net after out corner and I was able to grab the loose rebound and finish it," said Quigley.

Quigley scored her second goal of the game five minutes after her first on a similar play, finishing a rebound.

Nobles kept coming and was able to take the lead 3-2 within five minutes.

Eva Toffoloni was able to score on an Andover corner with 2:21 left in the first half, tying the game at 3-3.

"Going into the game Nobles was ranked number four in New England and we were ranked fifth. It was great to play against such good competition and although we suffered a loss, it is only going to prepare for the tournament by playing such good teams like Nobles," said Quigley.

Andover looks to capture its 11th win of the season against Cushing Academy this Saturday at 3:15 p.m. in Phelps Stadium.

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J.BECKWITH/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 assisted a goal that got Andover within one of Nobles.

GIRLS VARSITY

FIELD HOCKEY

Field Hockey is looking forward to finishing off a great season with a win against Exeter.

"This game represents not only PAFH, but also our school. This game will come down to who wants it more. Our team is ready to go out there and take it to them," said Eva Toffoloni '15, Andover's lead scorer this season.

Andover enters this game at 11-2-1 and leaving victorious will guarantee the team a top seed in the upcoming New England tournament.

"I expect our Seniors to lead, as this will be their last time competing in an Andover/Exeter field hockey game, but more importantly, I expect the rest of the team to follow that lead," said Assistant Coach Carolyn Polley.

"A team can have a variety of great leaders, but the teams that have the willing followers to put in the same amount of hard work are winners at the end of the day. It may sound cliché, but that's what you need to win against Exeter," she continued.

After going 8-1-1 in the last ten games, Andover hopes to continue its high level of play.

"It would be absolutely incredible if we could beat Exeter. As a Class A team, it is important for our record, but more than that, it is to prove we are on top," said Co-Captain Amy Morin '14.

"Each team plays as hard as they can and the game is always intense, always fast paced and always down to the wire," said Head Coach Kate Dolan. "Both teams are skilled and athletic, and it will simply be a matter of which team plays with the most cohesion and composure on that particular day."

11/8/13

Eliza Quigley '15 outsprints a defender.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Katerina Toffoloni '15 strengthened Andover's offense, aiding in its 10-9 outshooting of Westminster.

Aggressive Offense Struggles to Seal Victories

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	3
Andover	1
Westminster	3

After recovering from a mishandled corner, Co-Captain Amy Morin '14 fired a shot while Anna Fucillo '15 perfectly placed her stick in front of it, tipping it into the Westminster goal.

This proved to be Andover's only goal of the game, as the team suffered a season-ending 4-1 quarter finals loss at the hands of sixth-seeded Westminster after capturing the fifth seed in the NEPSAC field hockey playoffs.

Earlier in the week, Andover lost to its historic rival, Phillips Exeter Academy, 4-3.

Exeter dominated the beginning of the game, taking an early 1-0 lead on a shot from 40 yards out.

Andover was not deterred, however, as Olivia Cabral '14 buried a rebound out in front of the Exeter net after an Andover corner, tieing the game 1-1 with ten minutes left in the first half.

"It was tough to go down 1-0 early, but we all knew if we went down 2-0 it would be hard to come back from in such a big rivalry game. We needed that next goal to get some momentum back. The ball came across the cage and I was right there to tip it in past the goalie," said Cabral.

Andover continued its persistent offense and capitalized on another opportunity, as Eva Toffoloni '15 gave Andover a 2-1 lead with her goal.

"I found an opportunity in front of the net and shot it in. That goal put us in the lead, but we struggled to keep the momentum on our side as Exeter quickly responded with a goal," said Eva Toffoloni '15.

Exeter took advantage of a corner with five minutes left in the first half to net its second goal. The game went into the half tied at 2-2 with Exeter outshooting Andover 11-7.

After the half, it did not take long for Andover to find its rhythm. Fucillo was able to find the back of the net, making it 3-2 and providing Andover with some much needed momentum.

Exeter shut down this momentum, however, scoring minutes later to tie the game at 3-3.

For the next five minutes, Andover's relentless offense worked the Exeter goalkeeper, but could not put the ball into the net.

On Exeter's next fast break, it was able to convert and take a 4-3 lead that proved to be the game-winner. It was Andover's third loss of the season.

"It was Exeter's last game of the season because they didn't make the playoffs, so they really came out guns blazing. They wanted it a little more and they played extremely hard for their Seniors, knowing it was their last game," said Eliza Quigley '15.

Andover tried to use the frustration from the loss to Exeter to invigorate the team against a strong Westminster team with its season on the line, but the task proved to be too difficult.

Five minutes into the game, Westminster was able to convert on a stroke to take an early 1-0 lead.

Towards the end of the half, Westminster scored again on a loose rebound out front, taking a 2-0 lead. The game remained close heading into the half.

Andover showed life in the second half, led by Fucillo's goal.

"Amy Morin came down on the wing and took a nice hard shot to the net that I was able to deflect to the right of the net past the goalie," said Fucillo.

Westminster, however, responded immediately with another rebound goal, putting it up 3-1 with just over 12 minutes to play, a deficit that Andover could not overcome.

Westminster's last goal came with 49 seconds left, as the team buried the ball on a breakaway to seal the victory.

Despite the 4-1 loss, Andover was able to outshoot Westminster 10-9.

"We played with everything we had. They were a really fast and good team and we gave it all we had. Unfortunately, sometimes it falls one way and sometimes it falls the other, and it didn't fall our way today," said Morin.

Andover finished its season with an 11-4-1 record.

"It was a great season. We were a tight group of girls and we gave everything we had out on the field. We grew together and created many memories that will last beyond Andover," said Eva Toffoloni.

11/15/13

Sport: Boys Varsity Football

Year: 2013

Captains: John Cifrino, Tyler Marshall

Coach: Leon Modeste

Assistant Coach: Lou Bernieri

SEASON RECORD

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New England Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Aladin, Jonathan
Belluche, John
Burnham, DeWitt
Cifrino, John
DeLaus, Michael
Deorocki, Brendan
DeRuff, Henry
DiAdamo, Nicholas
Elson, Everett
Ford, Jumaane
Gallagher, Zoe
Horner, Auguste
Hosono, Gregory
Howell, Jacob
Humphrey, William
Humphreys, Robert Davis
Ilalio, Matthew
Krishna, Achindra
Lane, Thomas
Legaspi, Josiah
Maag, Ian
MacMillan, Samuel
Marshall, Tyler
McGurl, Daniel
Michel, Brandon
Moore, Michael
Mullen, Thomas
Needham, Robert
Norris, Dylan
Ogando, Benny
Rush, Robert
Rusk-Kosa, Matthew
Simourian, John
Stone, Ryder
Tolentino, Alec
Ward, Noah
Weber, Kurtis
Whalen, Robert
Williams, Kathryn
Williamson, Justin
Wolfson, Julian
Wright, Germaine
Young, William

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Football Varsity
2013 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Year	Hometown
1	Rusk-Kosa, Matthew	FS/WR	6'3	190	2014	Santa Monica, CA
2	Wright, Germaine	WR/FS	5'11	165	2015	Bronx, NY
3	Mullen, Thomas	K/P	5'10	195	2014	Cotuit, MA
5	Ford, Jumaane	CB/KR/RB	5'10	170	2016	Brooklyn, NY
6	Ilalio, Matthew	SS/RB/DB	5'8	195	2014	Anchorage, AK
7	Maag, Ian	QB/ATH	6'1	200	2014	Marblehead, MA
8	Tolentino, Alec	RB/DB/PR	5'11	185	2014	Holly Springs, NC
9	Simourian, John	DB/RB/ATH	5'9	160	2016	Dover, MA
10	Whalen, Robert	WR/DB	5'8	155	2016	Hanover, NH
11	Howell, Jacob	WR/S	6'3	190	2014	Boxford, MA
16	Lane, Thomas	QB	6'4	225	2015	Georgetown, MA
18	DeRuff, Henry	WR/DB	5'10	160	2014	Ross, CA
19	Belluche, John	WR/DB	6'0	170	2016	Andover, MA
21	Burnham, DeWitt	DB/WR	6'0	180	2016	Larkspur, CA
22	DiAdamo, Nicholas	DB/WR	5'11	175	2015	North Andover, MA
23	Humphrey, William	SS/WR	6'2	175	2016	Lake Forest, IL
24	Aladin, Jonathan	RB/SS	5'6	160	2015	Ewing, NJ
25	Michel, Brandon	CB/WR	6'1	170	2014	San Diego, CA
32	Stone, Ryder	RB/OLB/KR	5'10	205	2014	Calgary, AB, CAN
36	DeLaus, Michael	RB/SS/OLB	6'0	210	2014	Andover, MA
42	Ogando, Benny	WR/SS	6'1	175	2015	Bronx, NY
44	Young, William	WR/OLB/SS	6'2	195	2014	New York, NY
45	Moore, Michael	MLB/FB	6'1	220	2014	Mississauga, ON, CAN
51	Hosono, Gregory	G/OLB	6'1	205	2014	Palo Alto, CA
52	Marshall, Tyler*	ILB/OG	6'0	205	2014	Andover, MA
53	Cifrino, John*	OT/DT/DE	6'5	282	2014	York, ME
54	Ward, Noah	G/DE	6'1	200	2017	North Hampton, NH
55	Weber, Kurtis	DE/OG	6'3	195	2015	Winchester, MA
56	Needham, Robert	OL/DE	6'2	235	2015	North Reading, MA
64	Deorocki, Brendan	DE/OT	6'6	205	2015	Boxford, MA
65	Krishna, Achindra	G/OLB	6'0	190	2015	Dubai, ARE
66	Wolfson, Julian	OL/DL/ILB	6'1	220	2014	Honolulu, HI
67	Williamson, Justin	OG/DE	6'1	180	2016	Naperville, IL
71	Humphreys, Robert Davis	OT/DT	6'3	260	2015	Sudbury, MA
74	McGurl, Daniel	OC/NG	6'2	270	2014	Winchester, MA
75	Legaspi, Josiah	OL/DL	5'9	240	2014	Andover, MA
79	MacMillan, Samuel	OL/DE	6'2	250	2014	Toronto, ON, CAN
88	Rush, Robert	DB/ATH/WR	5'11	165	2014	Bronx, NY
89	Norris, Dylan	DE/TE	6'4	195	2016	Andover, MA

*Captains

Coaches: Leon Modeste, Lou Bernieri, Raj Mundra, Steve Carter, Numi Ilalio, Chip Dunn, Shaun Hart, Fred Martignetti '02
Filmer: Auguste Horner '14
Managers: Zoe Gallagher '14, Kathryn Williams '14, Everett Elson '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/11 @ 3:30 PM	B. B. & N.		Scrimmage	
9/21 @ 4:30 PM	Loomis	H	Game	W 40-14
9/28 @ 2:30 PM	Kent		Game	W 20-13
10/5 @ 7:00 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 41-7
10/12 @ 3:00 PM	Cushing		Game	W 7-0
10/19 @ 4:30 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 50-6
10/26 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 45-12
11/2 @ 6:00 PM	Worcester	H	Game	W 47-14
11/9 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter		Game	W 13-12
11/16 @ 1:00 PM	Brunswick School		Championship	W 35-28

Highlights

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/21/2013 12:30 PM	H	Game		40-14

Andover opens with 40-14 win over Loomis

On a beautiful autumnal afternoon, the Big Blue won the home opener of their season against a strong Loomis squad. Before a loud crowd of family and friends, Andover played a complete game, scoring on the ground, through the air, and on defense. The special teams were also very strong keeping a very athletic team on their heels.
Next week Andover makes its longest trip of the season travelling to Kent.

Kent

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 10:30 AM		Game		20-13

Andover 20 Kent 13

On a beautiful new turf field on a perfect New England fall day the Big Blue defeated Kent 20 -13.
The game was an exciting game as both teams played well and the momentum swung back and forth. The Andover defense did a great job keeping the high powered Kent offense in check. This effort included two big stops on 4th and inches in the second half. The offense sputtered at times but made big plays throughout the day to convert on 3rd or 4th down to move the chains.
In all, it was a fine team victory on the road. Next week Andover returns home to host The Wild Boars of Choate at 7 pm on Saturday.

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 3:00 PM	H	Game		41-7

Big Blue 41 Wild Boars 7

With a wonderfully energetic and inspiring home crowd, the Big Blue sent their fans home happy with a resounding victory. The team played well on both sides of the ball. Big plays were made throughout the game by the boys in Blue to keep the Wild Boars from gaining any momentum. A great team victory. Andover looks forward to their game next week against Cushing.

Cushing

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/12/2013 11:00 AM		Game		7-0

Another Win makes Football 4-0

With less than 0:59 on the clock the Big Blue D stopped three blasts inside the 5 yard line to secure the victory. With the passing game limited, the rushing game and the defense got it done to preserve the win. The Big Blue turned away Cushing 3 times inside the five yard line to end the game and seal the victory. The game ended with Cushing on the 1 yard line. During the game the Blue D picked off 4 passes. It was a defensive gem.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 12:30 PM	H	Game		50-6

Football's Record Improves to 5-0

The Boys in Blue sent their Family Weekend fans home happy with a complete team victory. The Big Blue controlled the game from the outset with a solid defense, a strong running game, and accurate passing. The special teams also got involved recovering a fumble on the kickoff after Andover's first TD.
Next Saturday Andover will head west to play a very athletic and fast Deerfield squad.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:45 AM		Game		45-12

Big Blue brings home 45-12 victory to remain undefeated

The visiting Big Blue jumped out to an early 17-0 lead and never looked back. The scoring was indicative of a solid team effort as the scores were a result of offense, defense and special teams. The solid play up front on both sides of the ball allowed Andover to control the line of scrimmage throughout the contest.
Andover will play our final home game next Saturday night at 6 against Worcester Academy.

Worcester

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 2:00 PM	H	Game		47-14

Big Blue still Undefeated!

Andover busted the game open in the first half and was able to keep a very athletic Worcester team at bay. Now on to a very talented Exeter squad next weekend up in New Hampshire.

Exeter

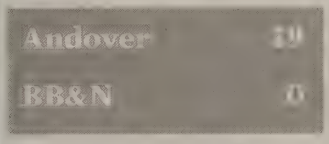
DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 9:30 AM		Game		13-12

The Boys in Blue beat Exeter

Trailing 12 -7 with just over 9 minutes left in the game, Andover marched 90 yards and chewed up all but 31 seconds to score the game-winning touchdown. The game was a great defensive struggle, as the low score indicates.
Next Saturday at 1pm we will play The Brunswick School in The Etter Bowl. The game will be played at Avon Old Farms School in Avon, CT.

Football Starts Off on the Right Foot with Shutout Against BB&N

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Andover Football won two out of seven games last season, improving upon the record from the 2011 team, which went winless over seven games.

With a strong core of upperclassmen who have been with the team for many years along with eight recruited Post-Graduates (PGs), Andover will try to make the transition to an elite team in the NEPSAC League.

Following the graduation of last year's quarterback Joey Verhaegh '13, Ian Maag '14, a PG from Marblehead, Mass., will assume the position and look to improve on last year's average of 19 points per game.

Maag's passing game will be complemented with a strong rushing attack, spearheaded by Ryder Stone '14, Matt Ilalio '14 and Mike Moore '14. Michael DeLaus '14 and Alec Tolentino '14 will join the trio of PGs in the backfield.

Stone had two rushing touchdowns in Wednesday's scrimmage against BB&N. Andover shut out BB&N 29-0 in just over two quarters of play.

The scrimmage format was 24 plays for each team—12 for the first-team offense and 12 for the second-team offense. Organized plays were followed by two quarters of live football. Andover scored 14 points in 24 plays, and 15 in live play.

In an effort to combat the dynamic offenses of NEPSAC teams, Andover will be more aggressive defensively, attempting more blitzes. When the defense sends more players towards the backfield, the safeties and cornerbacks will take on more responsibility.

"We have two big rules on defense: play fast and play physical," said Rob Needham '15.

Needham, who recorded four sacks in the last four games of the season at defensive end, expressed his excitement for the start of the season. "We just want to forget last season, use everyone who we have and get down and play some football," said Needham.

DeWitt Burnham '16, who will spend most of his time at safety, discussed the top-to-bottom strength of the defense. "We have a good line, strong linebackers and a secondary that is ready to take on a lot of responsibility."

"Our keys to playing strong defense are simple: we want to attack the offense, and we're not going to back down from anyone," said Nick DiAdamo '15.

"Our defense looks stacked all the way around this year, and I'm really excited to play football with these guys," said Jumaane Ford '16. Ford, who will start at cornerback, had an interception in the BB&N scrimmage.

Co-Captain Tyler Marshall '14, a linebacker, said, "Everything is finally coming together. From Ryder [Stone] in the backfield to Matt [Ilalio] at safety, we finally have a really complete team."

DiAdamo, who scored on a long pass on a wheel route from the slot, said, "We'd love to bring a winning season back to Andover, and if there is any team to do it, it's us."

Andover will kick off the regular season at home on September 21 against Loomis Chaffee.

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Captains Feature: Tyler Marshall '14 and John Cifrino '14

Football

Co-Captains Tyler Marshall '14 and John Cifrino '14 are playing integral roles in Andover Football's quest to bring the team back to prominence in the NEPSAC League this season.

Marshall, a four-year Senior from Andover, MA, has been a Varsity player since his Junior year. At 6 feet tall and 205 pounds, Marshall primarily plays at guard on offense and at inside linebacker on defense.

"[Being elected Captain] is the thing I've been working towards for all four years I've been here. You never really think about it until it gets to the point when you're about to be elected," said Marshall. "This is what I've worked so hard for every year."

Marshall credits his experience as having a profound impact on his leadership style.

"Seeing everyone performing has helped me—all the greats, like Joe Kruy '12, [Eric] Meller '12 and Jack Ward '13," said Marshall. "I like to lead by example, but I also like to talk a little bit and get loud."

Coach Leon Modeste said, "Tyler is a selfless kid. He transitioned from running back to guard this year, and not once did he question the decision. He's never questioning the good of the team. He's played five different positions for us, and he always wants to help the team."

"Tyler is just non-stop. He's positive, positive, positive all the time. We look to him to pick everyone up, and he was there, even though we've had a couple tough seasons lately," he added.

Marshall was also recently voted the male head of Andover's Athletic Advisory Board, which is comprised of all the captains from every sport. The female co-head is Diana Tchadi '14.

Cifrino came to Andover as a new Upper from York, Maine, last year, and had leadership potential that was apparent upon his arrival on campus. With only one year of Andover Football experience, he was able to impress his teammates to be voted Co-Captain this year.

"It was a great honor to be elected as Co-Captain, especially since I came just last year. I certainly wasn't expecting it, but now I'm pumped up to lead the squad into battle on Saturdays, and I'm really excited to play some football," said Cifrino.

Cifrino, who stands at 6 feet 5 inches tall and weighs 282 pounds, is an intimidating force and plays on both the offensive and defensive lines.

He has leadership qualities similar to those of Marshall. When asked about his approach Cifrino said, "I tend to be a pretty vocal leader on the field by trying to keep the tempo up and get guys fired up, but I also lead by example by giving 100 percent in every drill."

Modeste said, "John is a very high-level player, and is definitely a collegiate-level player. He's big, rangy and quick—he's got all of the attributes you look for in a lineman. No one works harder than John. He inspires the other guys to give it their all."

Both Co-Captains have made important contributions to the team off the field as well, most notably in the recruiting department.

"New England Prep School football is a very Senior, Upper and PG-dominated league, and when kids come to look at our school, these guys and other Seniors, like Jake [Howell '14], Michael [DeLaus '14] and Alec [Tolentino '14] have all helped in letting families know that Andover is great place to play football. These guys get involved in everything," said Modeste.

Andover will open its season against Loomis Chaffee School on Saturday, where Marshall and Cifrino's presence will be both seen and heard. After the 29-0 win over BB&N in a scrimmage last week that ended a seven game losing-streak, their leadership has already shown its worth.

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Tyler Marshall '14

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John Cifrino '14

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Triumph Over Loomis For First Time in Four Years

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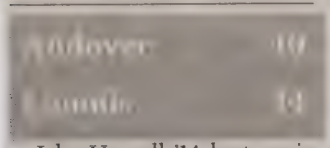

Jake Howell '14 lept up in the air, wrestled with a defender, caught a pass with outstretched arms and barely managed to stay inbounds enroute to a 74-yard touchdown.

The touchdown was one of five in Andover's 40-14 win against Loomis, the team's first home victory since 2009. Andover currently leads the New England Prep School Athletic League with 40 points in one game.

Andover produced 24 points in the first half, while the defense shut out Loomis.

Ian Maag '14, quarterback, and Ryder Stone '14, running back, led the offense to 377 total yards, with Maag throwing for 156 yards and Stone rushing for 104 yards. Each scored two touchdowns.

Howell led the team in receptions and yardage, with three catches for 92 yards.

"Everybody did their job and Ian [Maag] was throwing the ball really well," said Howell. "Ryder [Stone] was running the ball really well and the linemen opened up some great holes. We called a great balance of plays and the defense got us the ball, so we were on the field for a good amount of time."

Maag, Stone and Howell lead the NEPSAC League players in passing yardage, rushing yardage and receiving yardage, respectively.

The defense forced three interceptions and a fumble, wreaking havoc on Loomis's offense.

Michael Moore '14 had two of the three interceptions, one of which he ran back for a touchdown in the first half.

Co-Captain John Cifrino '14 said, "The key to our defense was simple—aggression. We fired through gaps and we put pressure on their offense, which led to their mistakes. We forced a bunch of turnovers...because we made them feel uncomfortable and created pressure."

"We knew their [Loomis's] quarterback threw the ball up in the air when he faced pressure, and that led to the two picks," added Cifrino.

Andover's defense limited Loomis to two touchdowns; Jumaane Ford '16 credited this to all-around good play.

"Our corners covered their guys really well, we were really good up front and we didn't get blown back by their offensive line too much. Michael [Moore] had a good game, and so did [Co-Captain] Tyler Marshall ['14]," said Ford.

At halftime, Assistant Coach Raj Mundra said, "We were aggressive, disciplined and we played together. This is what we envisioned it would be."

After a strong scrimmage against BB&N, in which Andover triumphed 29-0, the was confident going into the regular season.

"[The BB&N scrimmage] really boosted our confidence," said Ford. "They usually come in and it's a really tough game, but we kind of rolled over them. We thought that Loomis was a tough team, but if we worked hard and played how we had been playing, then good things would happen."

With a record of 1-0, Andover Football will play Kent this Saturday. The defense will look to minimize Kent's rushing-off, their strong suit.

Cifrino said, "[Kent] run[s] the ball probably 90 percent of the time, and they're going to want to control the clock, so we're going to look to shut down their run game and hopefully we'll see good results."

With a defense that has limited opponents to only two touchdowns in the past two games, Andover will bring its momentum to Saturday's game.

E.AVVAKUMOVA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ryder Stone '14 charges against Loomis' offense

L.XUAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Matt Rusk-Kosa '14 made a yard play.

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L. XUAN/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Football crushed Loomis Chaffee in a 40-14 win this past Saturday.

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Out with the Losing Streak, in with the Winning Streak

FIRST VICTORY OVER KENT IN FIVE YEARS

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTSWRITER

Andover	20
Kent	13

With Andover holding onto a one-point lead in the fourth quarter, Ian Maag '14 dropped back in the pocket and lofted a touchdown pass to Matt Ilalio '14, effectively winning the game.

Andover Football defeated Kent 20-13 last Saturday, improving its record to 2-0 this season. The two-game winning streak is Andover's longest since 2009.

In addition to his fourth quarter touchdown to Ilalio, Maag completed 76 percent of his passes for 156 yards.

Ryder Stone '14 rushed for 84 yards on 18 carries and helped keep the Kent defense off-balance. Stone scored a timely touchdown with 41 seconds left in the first half, giving Andover momentum into halftime.

"The linemen were creating big holes and giving me space to run," said Ilalio. "Even on my receiving touchdown, the line protected Ian [Maag] well and let him throw the ball to me."

For the second week in a row, Andover gave up only two touchdowns, one of which was a special teams miscue. Andover's stout defense held Kent's offense at bay for most of the game.

"Our kids rose to the occasion, and we had two fourth-and-inches stops in the fourth quarter, which really hurt them," said Head Coach Leon Modeste. "The key has been the ability to pressure the passer and to stop the run. We've been pretty effective stopping long runs. [Kent] was able to break us a few times, but for the most part, we were able to keep them from making the big play."

"[The game against Kent] was a really hard fought game, and it was pretty even. We both played really well but we had some really good plays and it was a really good game overall," added Stone.

Middle linebacker Michael Moore '14 led the team with 16 tackles. In addition, Ilalio had nine tackles himself. The two halted most of Kent's rushing offense during the game.

Regarding the effect that Ilalio has had on this year's team, Modeste said, "Matt has really emerged as the soul of this team, along with our Captains. He brings energy both offensively and defensively that a team needs to win. He can run the ball, he plays pass defense—he picked a pass off, scored two touchdowns. He's just one of those guys. He's a complete football player."

Despite the team's recent success, there is still much room for improvement.

"We've got to work on our conditioning and discipline," said Ilalio. "We had a couple unnecessary penalties, and the score that the defense gave up was because we weren't disciplined and were in the wrong spots."

"We're going to work on our execution," added Stone. "We were a little sloppy and had a few penalties, but we're looking to sharpen up and have a good game against Choate."

Andover hopes these adjustments will propel it to a victory against Choate on Saturday and maintain its winning streak.

E. AVVAKUMOVA THE PHILLIPIAN

Michael Moore '14, number 45, has rushed for 61 yards on 12 carries this season.

From 81st to 8th: Victory Bumps Andover to Top Rank in MA

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	41
Choate	7

Just ten seconds after Andover's defense recovered a forced fumble early in the first quarter, Jake Howell '14 secured a touchdown pass from Thomas Lane '15 to increase Andover's lead over Choate to 14-0.

Andover went on to defeat Choate 41-7 on Saturday, improving its winning streak to three games.

Coming into the game, Choate was ranked ninth in Massachusetts by MaxPreps. Andover's convincing victory vaulted them from the 81st ranking to eighth among prep schools in Massachusetts.

The team's offense jumped out to a hot start and quickly took a 21-point lead by the end of the first quarter.

Howell led the team in receiving with 131 yards and two touchdowns. Lane and Ian Maag '14 split time at quarterback. Lane finished with 111 passing yards, two touchdowns and an interception, while Maag was seven for eight with 132 yards and a touchdown.

With a touchdown and 102 yards on the ground, Ryder Stone '14 lead the NEPSAC League in rushing for week three.

Co-Captain John Cifrino '14 said, "We ran the ball really effectively, starting with Matt [Ilalio '14]'s run to start the game, then Ryder's running. That allowed us to use the play-action pass. Our rushing attack caught the defense off-guard, and the passing game really opened up."

Cifrino credited the offensive line with moving the running game forward.

Cifrino said, "We [the line] are definitely a unit, and we play together instead of playing as individuals. We work together, and even though we're not the biggest unit, we're very technically sound, and during games it just becomes natural. We just have great chemistry."

The defense shut down Choate's offense for most of the game, allowing only one late-game touchdown.

Michael DeLaus '14 led the defense with 12 total tackles, while Rob Needham '15 came in with 11 tackles. Andover also had ten sacks over the course of the game.

Cifrino attributed Andover's defensive prowess to its defensive backs. "We have so much talent at cornerback and safety and in the defensive backfield, and that allows us to get to the quarterback without worrying about getting burned. It all starts with the defensive backs," said Cifrino.

Additionally, Andover recovered four fumbles during the game, allowing them to keep control of the clock and tire out the Choate defense.

Jumaane Ford '16, who had five tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble, said, "We generated turnovers by being aggressive and gang-tackling. The pressure that we created helped a lot in terms of getting turnovers because we forced the quarterback to throw the ball and make bad choices with the ball."

Andover will look to continue its strong defense and extend its winning streak on Saturday against Cushing, which just defeated Northfield Mount Hermon.

"Special teams was a point of weakness for us," said Ford. "We did a lot of other things really well, so we won't change much on defense. We're really going to focus on shutting down their [Cushing's] running game because they have a really strong running back."

S.RAO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

The offensive line paved the way for 158 yards on the ground and three rushing touchdowns.

Last Minute Defensive Surge Propels Andover to 2nd Among Prep Schools

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Cushing	0

After an intense footrace in the final minute of the game, Michael Moore '14 tackled a Cushing player who broke away from the pack on Andover's 5-yard line. Moore's tackle saved a potential game-tying touchdown and set up a last-minute goal-line stand that clinched Andover Football's fourth straight victory.

Andover's defense denied Cushing on three straight plays from inside the 5-yard line, and walked away with a 7-0 win to keep their four-game winning streak intact.

Andover's offense stalled around midfield with less than a minute left on the clock and decided to try to pin Cushing's offense deep against its goal-line with a punt. After a fumbled snap, a Cushing defender scooped up the ball and would have scored had Moore not brought him down.

Andover moved to number two in the MaxPreps High School Football Rankings after the win, trailing only behind Poly Prep Country Day School in Brooklyn, New York.

Head Coach Leon Modeste said, "It was ugly, but we'll take an ugly win over a pretty loss anyday."

In addition to the key tackle at the end of the game, Moore had 12 others and led the team's defense. For the second game in a row, Andover's stout defense held its opponent to seven points or less.

Brandon Michel '14, who made one of the critical tackles with just minutes left on the clock, said, "On the goal-line stand, we just muscled down and fought. The situation was dire, but with a victory on the line, we didn't doubt that we could stop them. It was merely a matter of staying strong and going hard."

"Everyone muscled down and played well at the end," said Rob Needham '15. "It was just a great team stop."

The Cushing offense, which featured a strong rushing attack, was dormant for most of the game as Andover's defense was tough to break.

"It was a great defensive game, so it was fitting that we wound up winning on a goal-line stand," said Modeste.

Andover defense kept consistent with this year's defensive philosophy against Cushing. The front seven were aggressive, and the defensive backs were strong in their coverage.

"We have great athletes in our secondary. Our four defensive backs—Matt [Ilalio] '14, Matt [Rusk-Kosa] '14, Brandon [Michel] '14 and Alec [Tolentino] '14—are, as a group, one of the best defensive backfields I've ever had, so we can play man coverage," said Modeste. "That lets us pressure the passer and we can say, 'Well, our guys are going to cover their guys well.'"

Cushing's defense was just as formidable and frustrated the Andover offense for much of the first half. Michel finally broke the tie after scoring on a screen pass inside the red zone towards the end of the second quarter. The touchdown ended up being the deciding score.

"Our offensive line did an incredible job of getting out to block and with the score at 0-0, I felt like I needed to contribute in some significant way," said Michel.

Ryder Stone '14 continued his productive season, adding to his season rushing total of 466 yards with 26 carries and 176 yards for the game.

Ian Maag '14 threw the ball 11 times for 44 yards, and made the big play with his touchdown pass to Michel.

Andover will look to extend its winning streak when it hosts Northfield Mount Hermon this Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

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Quarterback Ian Maag '14 threw to Brandon Michel '14 for the deciding touchdown of the game against Cushing.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

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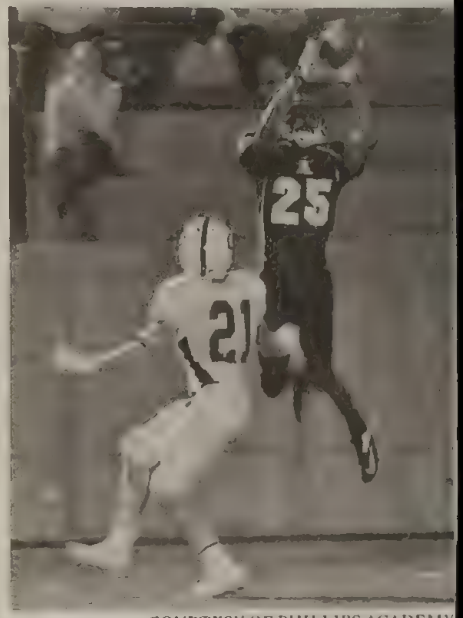

COURTESY OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY

Ryder Stone

Brandon Michel

Brandon Michel '14 (right) and Ryder Stone '14 (left), two of Andover Football's new additions, have shown their worth through their huge contributions to the team's undefeated season. Michel, a WR from San Deigo, CA, has totaled 202 yards this season including one touchdown. Football's other offensive threat lies in Ryder Stone, who has 488 yards for four touchdowns in four games at RB. Their talents and roles in Andover's turnaround season have earned them The Phillipian's *Athletes of the Week.*

When did you start playing football and why?

Considering my first word was football, I've basically been playing my whole life.

How is Andover football different from your old team?

There's a lot less Canadians, eh.

If you could play for one NFL team, who would you play for?

Dallas Cowboys. I was born and raised in Texas. I've been a fan as long as I can remember.

Do you have any special superstitions?

I've never really been a superstitious person except I do like to sing the Canadian anthem before every game with my fellow Canadians Mike Moore ['14] and Sam Macmillan ['14].

What are one or two things you do in training that are key to your success?

I lift things up and I put them down.

Most memorable game, practice or moment on the football field?

My most memorable moment so far this season isn't anything in particular, but it's the reaction by people that have seen what the team's been doing on the field. It was absolutely hilarious after the first couple games to see the absolute shock on people's faces when they found out we won.

If you weren't playing football, what sport would you play?

I would definitely play rugby. It's basically football without pads!

What's the first thought that goes through your mind when you cross the end zone?

I always have to give glory to God. My mom always told me to give glory to God when I accomplish something, and it's always the first thing that crosses my mind when I score.

When did you start playing football and why?

I started playing in first grade just for fun, and when I realized the excitement in running past a bunch of guys trying to hurt you, I got hooked.

How is Andover football different from your old team?

Well for one, no cheerleaders which is a bummer, but the Blue Key Heads are cool too! But on the field I think the style of play is catered a lot more towards the type of players we have, and not just a system like my old school.

If you could play for one NFL team, who would you play for?

I would play for the Patriots because I was born in Boston and I love them.

What's your number and why?

My number is 25! It used to be five, but one year a kid stole it so I switched to two-five because it's five squared. It also represents how many girls give me their numbers after each game, give or take 20.

Do you have any special superstitions?

I have to watch one particular pump up video on YouTube, and I always wear the same socks for each game.

What's your favorite way to celebrate a win?

My favorite way to celebrate a win would probably be to get another win.

Most memorable game, practice, or moment on the football field?

Most memorable moment was last year when I had three interceptions in my final game at my old school!

What do you think about "The Haka" led by Matt Ilalio?

The Haka is a really cool and unique way to start each game and it does get me pumped to play. Not sure if Matt is the right guy to lead it though, I think Coach Mo should take that spot soon.

What's the first thought that goes through your mind when you cross the end zone?

"Just another day at the office... #work"

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Andover Stomps on NMH; Offensive Line Protects Maag and Lane

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	50
NMH	6

Early in the first quarter, running back Ryder Stone '14 weaved through Northfield Mount Hermon defenders and busted into the end zone to give Andover its first touchdown of the game, kick-starting the offense and setting the tone for an offensive outburst from Andover.

The Andover offense scored 22 first-quarter points en route to a strong 50-6 victory over Northfield Mount Hermon. The 50 points that Andover scored were the most they have had since 2008.

The scoring barrage, along with shutdown defense, was the reason that Andover extended its winning streak to five games. The team is now 5-0 on the season.

Stone led the team in rushing for the fifth time this season, toting the ball 10 times for 141 yards and two touchdowns. Jumaane Ford '16, who had a season-high 11 carries, amassed 103 yards and a touchdown on the ground.

"Credit goes out to the offensive line," said Ford. "The receivers also helped out a lot, and kept their guys blocked. Ryder and I really trusted our teammates, and I think that was the biggest thing."

DeWitt Burnham '16 said, "The offensive line did a really, really good job setting up everything in the offense—they let Ryder and Jumaane run loose, and they gave Ian [Maag] '14 a lot of time to sit in the pocket and deliver the ball."

After scoring three touchdowns and a safety in the first half, the offense scored 21 second-quarter points, effectively sealing the game by halftime.

Maag and Thomas Lane '15 only threw the ball a combined 13 times, completing nine of those attempts for a total 147 yards and a touchdown. Maag also threw an interception.

The Andover defense held the NMH offense scoreless through the first three quarters and gave up just one touchdown late in the fourth quarter.

Michael Moore '14 led the team in tackles with 11, and the rest of the defense forced two turnovers and recorded six sacks.

Other standout players included Rob Needham '15, with nine tackles and two sacks, Michael DeLaus '14, with eight tackles and a sack, and Matt Rusk-Kosa '14, who had six tackles, one interceptions and two passes defended.

Head Coach Leon Modeste said, "Our key to success was staying focused. It was [Family] Weekend this weekend, and anything different form normal circumstances can be a distraction. We needed to stay focused on the game and then we could celebrate with our families later."

NMH moved to 0-5 on the season after the game, and Ford said, "We needed to make sure that we stayed focused on the task at hand, even though they [NMH] wasn't necessarily the best opponent we have played. We stayed away from goofing off during practice because you can never be too sure about the outcome."

Andover will make the long trip to Deerfield Academy this Saturday, looking to extend their winning streak to six games.

Deerfield has a strong aerial attack, led by quarterback Henry Baldwin '14.

"Deerfield has a really strong passing game and some pretty good receivers, so we're looking at film to prepare for that. They passed really well against Exeter last week, and we're making an effort to shut down that aspect of their offense," said Ford.

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Andover's offensive line blocked well and allowed Andover's running success.

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Ryder Stone '14 leads the NEPSAC in rushing yards with 713 yards on 107 carries.

Andover Records Three Interceptions Against Deerfield

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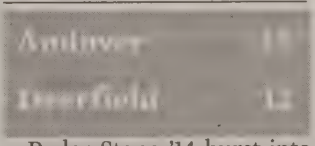

Ryder Stone '14 burst into the endzone with a three-yard run, capping a long first drive and scoring the first of Andover's touchdowns in a 45-12 rout of Deerfield Academy.

For the second week in a row, Andover Football scored over 35 points and shut out the opposing offense in the first half.

Led by quarterback Ian Maag '14, who completed 11 of 13 passes for 174 yards with two touchdowns and an interception, the offense kept the game out of reach from Deerfield.

Andover improved its winning streak to six games for a record of 6-0.

Stone ran for 106 yards on 19 carries and scored one touchdown, averaging 5.6 yards per carry, and improved his season totals to 713 yards and seven touchdowns on 107 carries. Michael Moore '14, who had a 37-yard touchdown run, the longest of the day, carried the ball five times for 59 yards and scored two touchdowns.

Head Coach Leon Modeste attributed Andover's quick start to its refined style of play.

"We've definitely been really efficient. We've been getting a good first drive. Tom [Mullen '14] usually kicks off through the end zone or it goes pretty deep. We get good coverage, and then the defense holds them to a three-and-out. Then they punt, and we get good field position, and we have a much shorter field to use to score. When you have to go only 55 yards to score, that's really good for us," said Modeste.

Brandon Michel '14 secured both of Maag's touchdown passes and scored on an interception return in the first quarter. Michel finished the game with 85 receiving yards and two touchdowns on six receptions.

Maag, Stone and Michel lead all NEPSAC League players in passing yards, rushing yards and receiving yards, respectively.

Andover continued its defensive prowess, holding Deerfield to just two second-half touchdowns. Andover has not given up more than two touchdowns in any game this year.

"We have very, very good defensive backs and very alert kids. We're ball-hawkers. Our kids go after the ball and make plays. Defensive backs can cover guys, but our defensive backs can cover guys and get the ball," said Modeste.

Moore led the defense with 14 tackles, followed by Tyler Marshall '14 and Will Young '14 with 11 tackles each. Marshall also had one sack.

Andover also forced six Deerfield turnovers, three of which were interceptions from Michel, Young and Matt Rusk-Kosa '14. The other three Deerfield turnovers were fumbles recovered by Michael DeLaus '14 and John Simourian '16.

"Our outside linebackers, Michael Delaus and John Simourian, are always looking for the ball. John is a special teamer, an outside linebacker and he's a rush guy," said Modeste.

Along with the two fumble recoveries, Simourian had seven tackles against Deerfield.

"I started out as a defensive back, but there were a lot of guys in front of me, so the coaches recommended that I move to linebacker. I got into the game against Choate, made a couple tackles and they put me in more. The coaches keep me optimistic about getting more playing time, so I come into each game ready to play," said Simourian.

Andover looks to continue its winning streak against Worcester on Saturday under the lights at 6 p.m. in Phelps Stadium.

11/1/13

BOYS VARSITY FOOTBALL

Striving to topple Exeter's five-year dominance, Andover Football will face off against archrival Exeter tomorrow, adding a new chapter to the 133-year tradition of competition.

With an undefeated 7-0 record, Andover Football has outscored its opponents by an average of 29 points per game this season, ten more points than Exeter's average margin of victory. The game will also determine the NEPSAC League Champion, as Exeter, having lost only in an out-of-league game against Avon Old Farm last Saturday, currently has a 6-1 record.

"The difference between the Andover/Exeter game and a normal regular season game is the tradition," said Head Coach Leon Modeste. "What heightens the excitement is the hoopla around the game."

Though Andover holds the better historical head-to-head record, Exeter has prevailed for the past five years. Last season, Andover held a two-point lead in the second half, only to allow 28 unanswered points in a 35-9 Exeter victory.

On the offensive side, Ian Maag '14 and Ryder Stone '14 have established themselves as one of the best quarterback-running back tandems in the NEPSAC League. Brandon Michel '14 and Jake Howell '14 have also been key contributors to Andover's success, with 702 receiving yards and seven touchdowns between them.

Defensive stars include Michael Moore '14 with 60 tackles, Matt Ilalio '14 with 39 tackles and Michael DeLaus '14 with 36 tackles.

Andover hopes to uphold its undefeated status and assert its dominance in the NEPSAC League with a win over Exeter.

11/8/13

Football looks to challenge Exeter's five-year winning streak.

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Celebrating Big Blue's first triumph over Exeter Football in six years, Andover students stormed the field last Saturday.

STONE SCORES TOUCHDOWN IN FINAL SECONDS

Football Claims 13-12 Victory Over Exeter; Ends Five-Year Losing Streak

By PRANAV TADIKONDA

With 31 seconds left in the game, Ryder Stone '14 followed his blockers, fought for extra yards and extended the nose of the ball towards the goal line. The referee raised his arms to signal a touchdown. Chaos ensued as Andover fans stormed the field in celebration.

The last-minute touchdown gave Andover Football a 13-12 lead and snapped the team's five-game losing streak to archrival Phillips Exeter Academy. The record for the 133 year-old rivalry now stands at 69-54-10 in Andover's favor.

Andover's win also completed its undefeated 8-0 regular season, clinching first place in the NEPSAC League Division A.

Until the fourth quarter, Exeter's defense shut down Andover's offense, only allowing seven points. However, after Exeter's defense forced Andover to punt early in the fourth quarter, Coach Leon Modeste decided to switch from a spread offense to a smash-mouth, grind-it-out style of play.

"We weren't syncing with our spread, and our spread was not working. So we decided that putting [Michael] Moore ['14] in the game to lead block and occasionally run the ball on misdirection would help the run game," said Modeste.

Andover's offense burned nine minutes off the clock on its final drive of the game, using 22 plays to go 89 yards for the touchdown.

Until the last drive,

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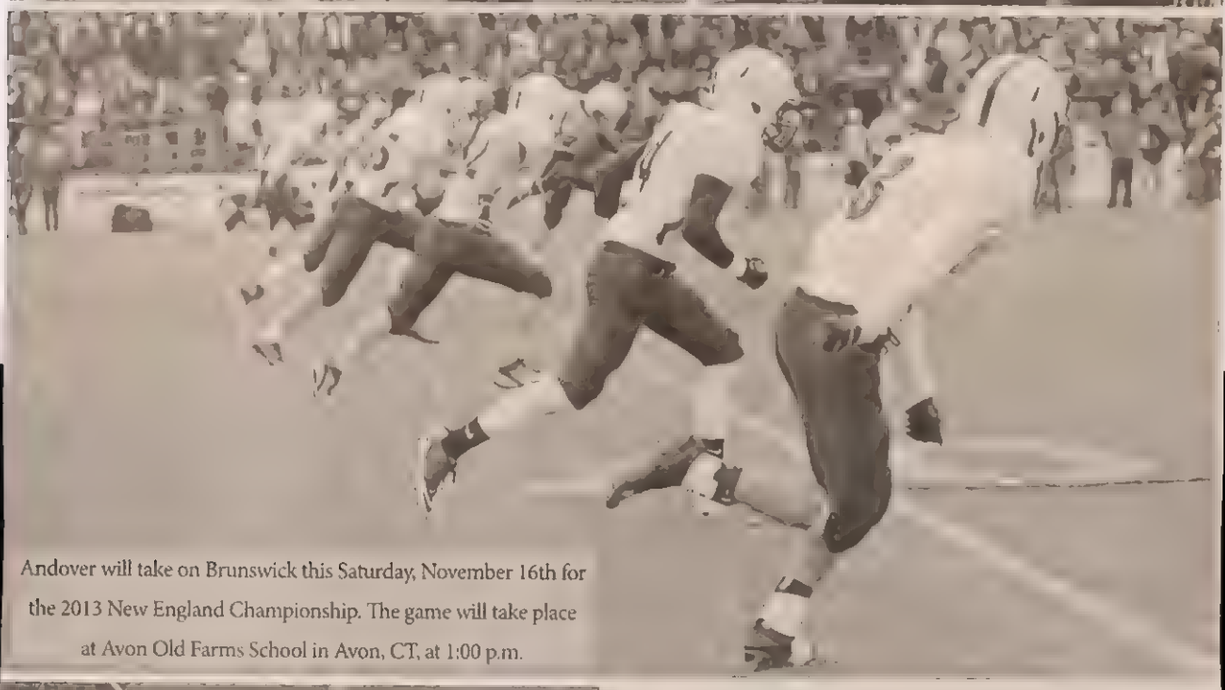
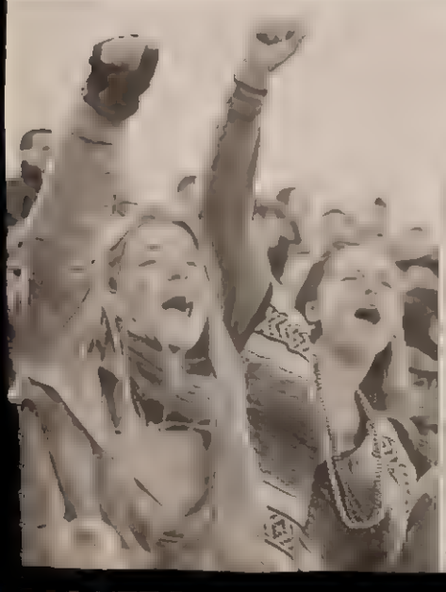
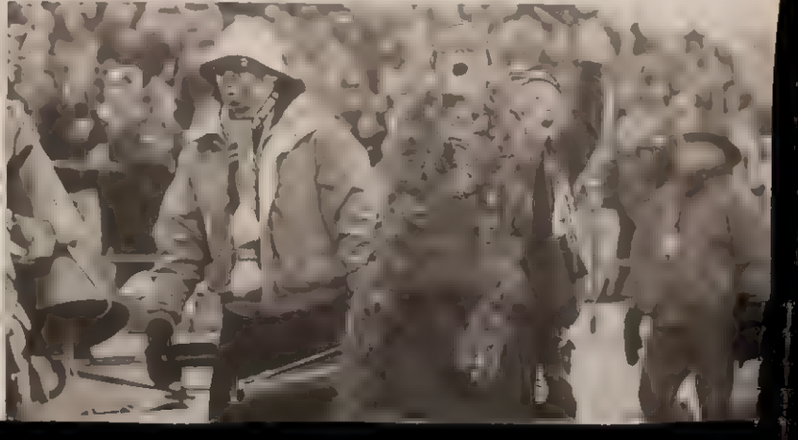
Andover/Exeter Football

Andover Wins in Final 30 Seconds



Andover will take on Brunswick this Saturday, November 16th for the 2013 New England Championship. The game will take place at Avon Old Farms School in Avon, CT, at 1:00 p.m.





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Andover Earns First in NEPSAC Class A Championship

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Exeter's defense frustrated Stone, who finished the day with 96 yards. But Stone got his revenge. He was almost stopped before the goal line on his game-winning touchdown run, but battled Exeter's defenders and found his way into the end zone.

"I knew Coach Mo was trusting me to get to the end zone, and I wasn't going to stop until I got there. I saw a small seam, cut up field and got stopped three or four yards from the end zone when I met a linebacker, and I just kept driving until I got into the end zone," said Stone.

The switch in offensive styles led to one of the most impressive drives Modeste had ever witnessed

"At least where I have been involved in the Andover/Exeter rivalry, there are certain things that are just named. One of them is 'The Screen,' when we beat them [Exeter] by two points back in '87. There was 'The Catch,' which was Titus Ivory's '96 catch back in '95. But now we have a new one. It's called 'The Drive.' That drive is going to be etched in people's minds for a long time," said Modeste.

Ian Maag threw 16 passes, completing eight for 51 yards against Exeter's defense.

"They did a really good job of shutting down our outside receivers on those long balls. That's normally our go-to move when we need a big play," said Maag. "Their defensive line was really good, and they got after me a lot. I had a little trouble seeing the field there for a while."

Rob Needham '15 said, "This Exeter team was the biggest team that I've played against. Every one of their linemen was 250 [pounds] minimum. But we prepared for it, we had our defensive scheme, we knew that we had to stay low and fire off, and we did that and we ended up shutting them down."

Moore led the team with 17 tackles, while Co-Captain Tyler Marshall '14 finished with ten tackles. Needham led the team with two sacks.

The defense forced three turnovers, all of which came at crucial points in the game. The first two interceptions by Matt Rusk-Kosa '14 and Brandon Michel '14 came in the first half. The third turnover that Andover forced was an interception by Alec Tolentino '14 at the end of the game.

Since Stone's touchdown came with 31 seconds left on the clock, Exeter had a chance to kick a game winning field goal. With less than 15 seconds left, Tolentino intercepted a tipped pass and ran down the sideline until the clock ran out.

"All I was doing while I was running was looking at the clock, waiting for it to run down, and when it did, I don't remember what happened. But when I was running down the field I felt myself smiling," said Tolentino.

Following the victory, Andover fans stormed Exeter's field. "This game was such a great experience, especially since we came out on top. The fans rushing the field afterwards—that's something that I've never been a part of. That was really cool," said Maag.

Andover will play against New Brunswick in the Jack Etter Championship Bowl at Avon, CT on Saturday. This will be the team's first playoff game since 2007.

Sport: Boys Varsity Soccer

Year: 2013

Captains: Taylor Chin, Graeme Henderson

Coaches: Bill Scott, Will Orben

Assistant Coach: Chris Wade

SEASON RECORD

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Adigwe, Kenechukwu
Block, Samuel
Cameron, Conner
Canavan, Jason
Chin, Taylor
DiStefano, Nicholas
Dziadosz, Alexander
Figus, Orlando
Frankel, Claire
Girard, Brandon
Henderson, Graeme
Lapointe, Colby
Manos, Andreas
Meyerrose, Henry
Mott, Dylan
Murphy, Joshua
Perkins, Clark
Rabines, Roberto
Sandor, John
Swenson, Nicolas

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Soccer Boys Varsity
2013 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
	Perkins, Clark	GK	2014	Fairfield, CT
1	Marinho, Andre	GK	2014	Rio de Janeiro, BRA
2	DiStefano, Nicholas	M	2014	Wilmington, MA
3	Block, Samuel	B	2014	Norwich, VT
4	Adigwe, Kenechukwu	B	2014	Lowell, MA
5	Canavan, Jason	B	2014	Reading, MA
8	Cameron, Conner	B	2015	Freeport, ME
9	Manos, Andreas	B	2016	Lincoln, MA
10	Mott, Dylan	F	2015	Glen Ridge, NJ
11	Rabines, Roberto	M	2016	Topsfield, MA
12	Sandor, John	M	2017	Charlottesville, VA
17	Swenson, Nicolas	M	2015	New York, NY
18	Murphy, Joshua	M	2015	Red Bank, NJ
19	Dziadosz, Alexander	M	2016	Boxford, MA
21	Chin, Taylor*	M	2014	Ipswich, MA
22	Figus, Orlando	B	2016	Rome, ITA
23	Henderson, Graeme*	M	2014	Beavercreek, OH
27	Lapointe, Colby	B	2016	Kennebunk, ME
77	Meyerrose, Henry	F	2017	Norwich, VT
90	Girard, Brandon	F	2016	Beverly, MA

*Captains

Coaches: Bill Scott, Will Orben
Assistant Coach: Chris Wade

Managers: Claire Frankel '14, Sierra Heneghan '14

Videographer: Caroline Chen '14

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/11 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Scrimmage	
9/16 @ 4:45 PM	St. Paul's		Game	W 1-0
9/18 @ 3:00 PM	Brooks		Game	W 5-0
9/21 @ 4:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	T 0-0
9/25 @ 4:30 PM	Holderness		Game	W 4-1
9/28 @ 1:45 PM	Tabor		Game	W 5-2
10/2 @ 4:00 PM	Bridgton Academy	H	Game	W 2-1
10/5 @ 7:00 PM	Choate	H	Game	T 1-1
10/9 @ 3:30 PM	Winchendon	H	Game	W 7-0
10/11 @ 4:30 PM	Exeter		Scrimmage	Exeter B 2, Andover B 1
10/12 @ 2:30 PM	Tilton	H	Game	W 7-0
10/14 @ 3:45 PM	Milton	H	Game	W 3-1
10/18 @ 6:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	T 1-1
10/23 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing		Game	W 2-1
10/26 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 2-1
10/30 @ 3:00 PM	Worcester	H	Game	T 0-0
11/2 @ 6:00 PM	K.U.A.		Game	T 1-1
11/6 @ 2:30 PM	New Hampton	H	Game	W 5-0
11/9 @ 12:30 PM	Exeter		Game	W 6-2
11/13 @ 2:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee	H	Tournament	W 1-0
11/16 @ 12:00 PM	Worcester Academy		Tournament	L 2-3

Highlights

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/16/2013 12:45 PM		Game		1-0

Boys' Soccer Opens Season with 1-0 Victory against St. Paul's

On a chilly Monday afternoon in Concord, NH, the Andover boys' soccer team opened the season with a 1-0 victory over St. Paul's. Andover had the run of the play for the majority of the game, as St. Paul's had difficulty handling Andover's high pressure and disciplined defensive shape. Andy Manos ('16, Lincoln, MA), recently converted to a right back for the Big Blue, was a defensive standout on the day and a dynamic presence for the entire 90 minutes. Andover's keeper, Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) had 5 saves and was a confident presence in net. Offensively, despite outshooting St. Paul's 17 to 4, Andover only found the back of the net once. Late into the first half, Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) found Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) inside twelve yards, and Mott slipped it past the St. Paul's goalkeeper. St. Paul's had some late chances, but Andover held on for the victory. Andover travels to Brooks on Wednesday, 9/18 for their second game of the season.
Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('16, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Sam Block ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)
Substitutes: John Sandor ('17, M), Roberto Rabines ('16, M), Henry Meyerrose ('17, F), Connor Cameron ('15, D)

Brooks

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/18/2013 11:00 AM		Game		5-0

Boys' Soccer Seals Confident 5-0 Victory over Brooks

In their second game in three days, the Andover boys' soccer team earned a 5-0 victory over local rival, Brooks. Andover's finishing was top notch, led by Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA), who finished the day with a hat trick and two assists. DiStefano's partner-in-crime, Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) also had a goal and an assist, and Graeme Henderson ('14, Beavercreek, OH) finished with a superb header off a free kick from 30 yards out. Similar to the match against St. Paul's, Andover's dominated the center of the park for the majority of the game. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) and Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) relentlessly dissected Brooks' midfield, as did their eventual replacements, John Sandor ('17, Charlottesville, VA) and Roberto Rabines ('16, Topsfield, MA). Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) was also a dynamic presence on the outside of midfield, eventually assisting DiStefano in the second half.
Relying on counterattacks for most of the game, Brooks did have some initial success and could have scored several goals early on in the match. However, Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) came up with several pivotal saves for the Big Blue, including a breakaway stop early on in the first half.
Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('16, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Sam Block ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)
Substitutes: John Sandor ('17, M), Roberto Rabines ('16, M), Henry Meyerrose ('17, F), Connor Cameron ('15, D), Nick Swenson ('15, M), Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Colby Lapointe ('16, D), Jason Canavan ('14, D), Orlando Figus ('16, D/M)
Andover opens its home account on Smoyer Field this Saturday, 9/21, against Loomis Chaffee.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/21/2013 12:00 PM	H	Game		0-0

Boy's Soccer ties Loomis

The Andover boys soccer team walked off Smoyer Field with a 0-0 tie against Loomis Chaffee on Saturday in what was undoubtedly their most difficult match of the season so far. Loomis Chaffee, traditionally one of Andover's fiercest competitors, was disciplined and talented across the pitch, electing to play an offensive 4-3-3 formation to try and get behind the Andover defensive line.

However, Andover's back four, consisting of Graeme Henderson ('14, Beavercreek, OH), Kene Adigwe ('14, Lowell, MA), Andy Manos ('16, Lincoln, MA) and Josh Murphy ('15, Berlin, Germany), remained, as in their first two games, tenacious and unwavering. Additionally, Clark Perkins ('14, Fairfield, CT) earned his first start of the season for the Big Blue in net and proved to be a staunch presence for the 90 minutes.

Offensively, Andover consistently asked questions of Loomis' backline but ultimately failed to find a seam through Loomis' stalwart center-back, Prosper Figbe. Andover will look to reestablish its scoring form against Holderness on Wednesday, 9/25.

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('16, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Roberto Rabines ('16, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Sam Block ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

Substitutes: John Sandor ('17, M), Connor Cameron ('15, D)

Holderness

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/25/2013 12:30 PM	A	Game		4-1

Andover Boys Still Undefeated after 4-1 Victory against Holderness

The boys' soccer team travelled up to Plymouth, NH Wednesday afternoon to face off against a hardened Holderness squad. While Holderness has given Andover difficulty in recent seasons, the Big Blue were able to hit the ground running with a goal inside the first ten minutes. Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) played a brilliant through-ball to Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA), Andover's leading scorer, who delicately slipped it under the Holderness keeper. DiStefano added to his tally less than ten minutes later with another assist from Chin, while Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) made it 3-0, catching the Holderness goaltender off his line with an exquisite chip.

Despite having the run of the play, in the second half, the Andover squad had difficult keeping the ball and dictating the pace of the game. In the 65th minute, Precious Ozoh, Holderness' center midfielder, was able to get in behind Andover's back line uncontested and finish off his effort with a curved shot into the right corner.

Andover responded late in the 88th minute when Roberto Rabines ('16, Topsfield, MA) snuck in to elegantly place away a deflection, his first career goal for the Big Blue.

Andover continues its travel-heavy week with a trip to Tabor Academy this Saturday.

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Connor Cameron ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Andy Manos ('16, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Sam Block ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

Tabor

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 9:45 AM	[redacted]	Game		5-2

Boys' Varsity Defeats Tabor 5-2

The Andover boys' varsity soccer team left Marion, MA with its fourth victory of the season following a back-and-forth match with Tabor Academy's Seawolves. Tabor elected to play a very high defensive line, and the Big Blue countered tactically by playing the ball over the top to get forwards Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) and Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) in behind. Mott put Andover on the board early, although Tabor responded not long after with a goal of their own. Throughout the rest of the half, Andover had difficulty adjusting to Tabor's defense, as the Big Blue found themselves consistently offside.

Despite Tabor adding to their tally from a free kick in the second half, Andover's forward press eventually proved too much for the Seawolves, with Mott adding two more goals to end the day with a hat trick, DiStefano putting away a penalty kick, and Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) scoring his first goal for the season from a free kick 35 yards out.

Nick Swenson ('15, New York, NY) had a spirited spell on the outside for the Big Blue, contributing his best minutes of the campaign so far. Clark Perkins ('14, Fairfield, CT) and Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro) split halves in the net, with Perkins returning from a recent neck injury.

Andover hosts Bridgton Academy on Wednesday, 10/2, at home.

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Connor Cameron ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Andy Manos ('16, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), John Sandor ('17, M), Roberto Rabines ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

Substitutes: Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Henry Meyerrose ('17, F), Nick Swenson ('15, M), Jason Canavan ('14, D), Orlando Figus ('16, M), Andre Marinho ('14, GK).

Bridgton Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/2/2013 12:00 PM	H	Game		2-1

Boys Varsity Wins Comeback Victory against Bridgton 2-1

Andover Starting 11: Andre Morinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), John Sandor ('17, M), Nick Swenson ('15, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team had its first comeback win of the season against Bridgton on Wednesday, 10/2. Despite having the run of the play for the opening segment of the game, including two breakaway chances against the Bridgton keeper, Bridgton was able to finish off an effort at the top of Andover's 18-yard box 15 minutes into the game. Andover responded by raising the pace of the game and relentlessly winning balls in the midfield, producing what seemed like an inevitable goal in the 30th minute. Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) was able to find Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) with a through ball, and the Upper from New York was able to slot it past the Bridgton goalkeeper.

DiStefano was able to add a tally of his own to retake the lead early in the second half. After being fouled at the top of the box, DiStefano finished off yet another free-kick goal, this time electing to place the ball in the untended right corner of the goal.

Henry Meyerrose ('17, Norwich, VT) contributed strong minutes off the bench for the Big Blue, eagerly chasing down Bridgton's defenders to inject energy into the game. Nick Swenson ('15, New York, NY) was able to follow up his strong performance against Tabor with his first start of the season and continually served dangerous balls from the flanks.

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 3:00 PM	H	Game		1-1

Andover Ties Choate under the Lights

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Nick Swenson ('15, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover soccer team hosted Choate on Saturday evening in the first night game of Smoyer Field's history. The match did not disappoint, as the contest was back and forth for the full 90 minutes. A 0-0 draw looked imminent until the 82nd minute when Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) fired home a layoff from John Sandor ('17, Charlottesville, VA) from the top of the eighteen-yard box. With less than a minute to go, however, Choate was able to squeeze out a goal before the final whistle.

This was certainly Andover's most physical match yet, and both of Andover's forwards, Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) and Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA), were a troubling presence for the Choate backline. Sandor had his some of his best minutes of the season, and Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), was a commanding presence in net for the Big Blue.

Andover faces off against Winchendon at home on Wednesday, 10/9.

Winchendon

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 11:30 AM	H	Game		7-0

Andover Soccer Defeats Winchendon 7-0

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team defeated Winchendon 7-0 on Wednesday at home on Smoyer Field. Scoring contributions came from all over for the Big Blue, as Conner Cameron ('15, Freeport, ME), Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA), and Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) all scored their first goals of the season. Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) scored his second goal in two games and Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) added two more goals to his impressive tally for the year.

Andy Manos ('16, Lincoln, MA) was a standout in Andover's back line, serving up Andover's two first goals with sublime crosses from right back. Jason Canavan ('14, Reading, MA) and Colby LaPointe ('16, Kennebunk, ME) played well from Andover's bench, as did Orlando Figus ('16, Rome, Italy).

Andover heads into a heavy weekend of soccer with an exhibition match against Exeter on Friday, a match against Tilton on Saturday, and another difficult Class-A game against Milton on Monday.

Tilton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/12/2013 10:30 AM	H	Game		7-0

Andover Boys Wins Second 7-0 Victory of the Week

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)
The Andover boys' soccer team had its second high scoring victory of the week against the Tilton Academy Rams on Saturday. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) opened the scoring by directing home a corner kick from Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) within the opening ten minutes. Block added to his account soon after, assisted again from Chin. Scoring, as it did against Winchendon, came from a variety of sources, including junior Henry Meyerrose ('17, Norwich, VT), who scored his first goal in blue in the second half. Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) added his second goal in two games, as did Conner Cameron ('15, Freeport, ME) and Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA). Clark Perkins ('14, Fairfield, CT) and Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) split halves for Andover and preserved another shutout.
Andover plays its fourth game in six days against Milton Academy on Monday, 10/14 at home.

Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/14/2013 11:45 AM	H	Game		3-1

Andover Edges Out Milton 3-1

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)
The Andover boys' soccer team improved its record to 8-0-2 after defeating a tenacious Milton Academy squad on Monday. Playing their fourth game in six days, the Big Blue largely relied on flank play from Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA) and Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) to get around the strong spine of the Mustangs' midfield. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) poked in Andover's first goal in the middle of the first half following a scuffle in front of the net, although Milton responded soon after by capitalizing on a short corner opportunity, driving the ball into the heart of the six-yard box. Andover was unable to clear the danger, and Milton squeezed the ball into the net.
At the start of the second half, Milton had a large run of the play, with Andover having to make several tactical adjustments to find their stride again. A dogged presence up top for the Big Blue, Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) was eventually able to get in behind Milton's backline and slot the ball across the face of goal for Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) to put away. Mott had a standout game for the season, constantly asking questions of Milton's defense with aggressive runs forward on and off the ball. Mott was able to put the game out of Milton's reach within the last five minutes by heading home a sublimely weighted cross from Dziadosz, who also had one of his best games of the season.
Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) was fantastic in net for Andover, saving multiple outright chances from the Mustangs, as well as smothering crosses from free kicks and corners.
The Big Blue welcome NMH on Friday, 10/18, under the lights at Phelps Stadium to kick off Andover's Family Weekend.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/18/2013 2:00 PM	H	Game		1-1

Andover Ties NMH Under the Lights 1-1

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), John Sandor ('17, M), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team tied NMH under the lights in front of a packed crowd in Phelps Stadium on Friday evening. Andover welcomed a seasoned NMH side for the Big Blue's Family Weekend, and the clash of Class-A powerhouses did not disappoint. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) moved from the center of the midfield to center of defense to start for Andover, and Kene Adigwe ('14, Lowell, MA) was tenacious at the helm of Andover's backline. Andy Manos ('16, Lincoln, MA) and Conor Cameron ('15, Freeport, ME) split time at right back, while Josh Murphy ('15, Red Bank, NJ) was an aggressive force on the left of Andover's defense.

The center of the midfield was a congested battle, and Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA) and John Sandor ('17, Charlottesville, VA) had their hands full with three NMH midfielders. On the flanks, Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA) and Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) had more room to operate, but Phelps Stadium's narrow field promoted constant pressure on both sides of the ball. The game began and ended with a vicious pace.

Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) and Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) caused problems for NMH's backline the entire game, creating several fantastic opportunities to score. Despite having the majority of chances on goal, however, Andover could not find the back of the net, and NMH scored the opening goal late in the second half.

With only eight minutes remaining, Andover redoubled their efforts, and Adigwe, who had been stellar all evening for the Big Blue, elevated over several NMH defenders to bury a header into the far corner of the net off of a lovely service from DiStefano. Andover had a couple more chances before the final whistle, as did NMH, but the frantic game concluded in a tie.

Andover now has an 8-0-3 record and looks ahead to a tough week with away matches at Cushing Academy and Deerfield Academy.

Cushing

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/23/2013 11:15 AM	A	Game		2-1

Andover Comes Back to Defeat Cushing 2-1

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team had its second comeback win of the season on Wednesday against the Cushing Academy Penguins. Similar to Andover's game against NMH last week, the match against Cushing was played at a torrid pace and never truly settled. Cushing opened the scoring with a rocket of a strike from twenty yards out midway through the first half, but Andover responded not long after with Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) making a phenomenal run to the baseline before slotting the ball across the six-yard box for Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) to put away.

Mott eventually scored a goal of his own later in the match, but from that point on, Cushing raised their pressure and had several chances to tie the game again. Graeme Henderson ('14, Beavercreek, Ohio) was a standout at the center of Andover's backline, continually winning crucial balls from Cushing's forwards and midfielders, and Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) made several key stops to preserve Andover's lead. The final whistle was certainly a relief for the Big Blue; they remain undefeated and take on Deerfield Academy this Saturday, 10/26.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:15 AM		Game		2-1

Andover Wins Second Comeback Victory of the Week against Deerfield

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' varsity team had its second comeback victory of the week against Deerfield Academy on Saturday. Playing on grass again for the first time in a week, Andover was able to spread the ball wide and attack from the flanks with Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) and Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA) continually going at Deerfield's wide backs. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) had some spells on the outside, as well, shifting out from the center of the midfield. Deerfield opened the scoring in the first half when a Deerfield defender served the ball into the six-yard box from a free kick; unable to clear the danger, the ball squirmed past Andover's backline off a deflection. The goal came against the run of the play, and Andover, down 1-0 at half, needed to rally to preserve their undefeated record.

Andover's forwards, arguably the best duo in New England, were up to the task, as Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) deftly slotted home a breakaway opportunity past Deerfield's keeper. Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) followed DiStefano's effort with a virtuoso goal from twenty five yards out: after dribbling past two Deerfield defenders, Mott curled the ball over the helpless goaltender to put Andover up 2-1. Learning from their tough lesson against Choate earlier in the season, Andover closed the game out by maintaining possession and keeping Deerfield from amassing any momentum. Andy Manos ('16, Lincoln, MA), Andover's right back, kept pace with Deerfield's most dangerous player on the outside, and the rest of Andover's defensive line, Graeme Henderson ('14, Beavercreek, OH), Kene Adigwe ('14, Lowell, MA) and Josh Murphy ('15, Berlin, Germany), defused the vast majority of Deerfield's chances.

Andover faces its toughest challenge of the season against Worcester Academy on Wednesday, 10/30, at home.

Worcester

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/30/2013 11:00 AM	H	Game		0-0

Andover Ties Worcester Academy 0-0

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' varsity soccer team tied Worcester Academy 0-0 at home on Wednesday. Worcester, one of the top teams in New England, was one of the best squads Andover has seen this season, and the Big Blue had to play its best soccer of the year to create chances against the opposition.

Andre Marinho ('14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) was stellar for Andover in net, making numerous pivotal saves to keep Worcester off the score sheet. Marinho even factored into the offense at times when he splayed the ball out wide to initiate counterattacks and bypass Worcester's numbers in the midfield. Josh Murphy ('15, Berlin, Germany) had a tough defensive assignment on the flank, but he was able to stand up Worcester's most dangerous threat throughout the match.

Andover did have their fair share of chances when the Worcester keeper bobbled the ball in the box on a couple of occasions. Hitting the post and sending the ball just over the net, Andover's forwards, Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) and Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) were inches away from putting Andover ahead. While Worcester had most of the play during the first half, with ten minutes to go, a goal seemed inevitable for the Big Blue, but Worcester held on for the tie.

K.U.A.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 2:00 PM		Game		1-1

Andover Ties Kimball Union 1-1

Andover Starting 11: Clark Perkins ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team finished the week with another tie, this time against a seasoned Kimball Union Academy squad. Playing under the lights in Meriden, NH, Kimball Union had lost only once going into the match, and with Andover still undefeated, the atmosphere was electric throughout the game.

Andover opened the scoring early in the first half with Graeme Henderson ('14, Beavercreek, OH) heading away a sublime corner kick from Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA). Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA) and Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) ran out as dummy short corner options, stretching the KUA defense thin, allowing Henderson to elevate uncontested to finish the near post service.

Andover ran at KUA for much of the first half, with Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA) frequently tearing past KUA's left back. Plagued with injury at the beginning of the season, Girard has since rediscovered his form on the flank for the Big Blue. Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) was also a standout for Andover, sentineling the midfield and opening up KUA's defense for looks at goal.

Against the run of play, KUA responded by scoring on a free kick late in the first half. As with their match against Worcester, Andover had several more fantastic chances to move ahead, but they were continually thwarted by KUA's goaltender and the crossbar. The game ended 1-1 after a blistering ninety minutes.

Andover remains undefeated with a 10-0-5 record and plays their last regular season home game against New Hampton on Wednesday, 11/6.

New Hampton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/6/2013 9:30 AM	H	Game		5-0

Andover Defeats New Hampton 5-0

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team defeated New Hampton 5-0 on Wednesday, November 5th. Scoring contributions came from around the pitch with Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA), Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA), Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA), John Sandor ('17, Charlottesville, VA) and Henry Meyerrose ('17, Norwich, VT) all netting goals for the Big Blue.

Andover looks to finish off the regular season undefeated as they face off against the rivals from the north, Exeter, on Saturday, November 9th.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 7:30 AM		Game		6-2

Andover Defeats Exeter 6-2 in Eight Goal Thriller

Andover Starting 11: Andre Marinho ('14, GK), Kene Adigwe ('14, D), Graeme Henderson ('14, D), Andy Manos ('15, D), Josh Murphy ('15, D), Sam Block ('14, D), Taylor Chin ('14, M), Alex Dziadosz ('16, M), Brandon Girard ('16, M), Dylan Mott ('15, F), Nick DiStefano ('14, F)

The Andover boys' soccer team finished off the regular season undefeated after besting rivals Phillips Exeter 6-2 in front of several thousand face-painted fans. Dylan Mott ('15, New York, NY) and Nick DiStefano ('14, Wilmington, MA), Andover's unstoppable scoring tandem, proved all too much for Exeter's backline, as Mott walked off the pitch with an unbelievable four goal tally, while DiStefano netted two of his own.

Andover's pace across the field kept Exeter from ever settling into the game, especially in the midfield. Taylor Chin ('14, Ipswich, MA), Sam Block ('14, Norwich, VT) and John Sandor ('17, Charlottesville, VA) dominated the center of the park, while Alex Dziadosz ('16, Boxford, MA), Brandon Girard ('16, Beverly, MA), Nick Swenson ('15, New York, NY) and Roberto Rabines ('16, Topsfield, MA) all contributed with spells on the outside flanks.

Andover's backline, as tenacious as ever, continually put out fires to allow the Big Blue to push forward with relentless pace.

Scoring came early and often for Andover, as they found themselves ahead 3-1 not long into the first half. Perhaps the most telling moment of the match came, however, when Exeter scored their second goal of the game after being awarded a controversial penalty kick, putting them within reach of Andover's lead. From the kickoff immediately following the goal, DiStefano and Mott charged unflinchingly at Exeter's defense and, with a delicate chip over the backline from DiStefano, Mott slipped away his third goal of the game less than ten seconds after Andover was picking the ball out of their own net. Deflated, the Exeter Lions never had another real sniff at Andover's goal.

Andover opens its postseason campaign against Loomis Chaffee on Wednesday, November 13th.

Eleven Returners Foreshadow Strong Season

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
Nobles	0

Despite an early exit in the playoffs last year, Andover Boys Soccer looks to continue a streak of improved play into the coming season.

"We felt last year started and ended on a good note, but we ran into some struggles mid-season, which ended up hurting us in the long run. This year, we are returning seven starters and feel like we have the possibility to do big things," said Josh Murphy '15.

The team boasts 11 returners from last year's team, seven of which are starters and five of which are Seniors. The many returners make the team appear to be the strongest it has been in years.

"I think that leadership, particularly Senior leadership, will be a big factor in whether we succeed this season or not. In addition, I think the coaching staff would agree that the program has the most depth it has seen in a long time, which creates a competitive environment in training and only makes us better," said Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14.

Although the lineup has not changed drastically, the coaching staff has benefitted from some new additions.

Coach Will Orben has joined the Andover Boys Soccer Team alongside Coach Bill Scott. Orben played collegiate soccer at Lehigh University then professionally in the U.S. and in Denmark. He was the head coach at Taft for ten years before he came to Andover.

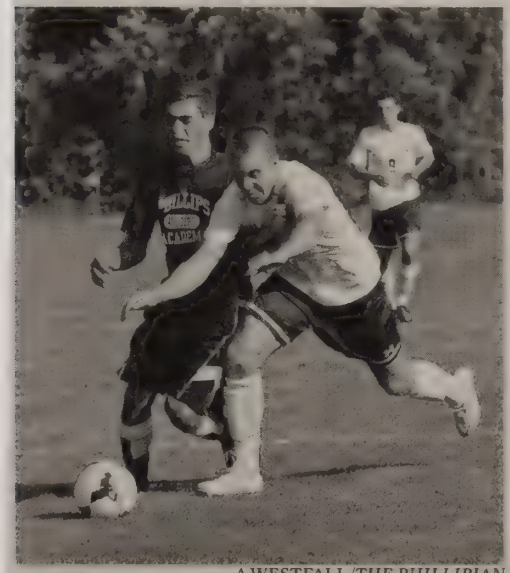
Another addition to the program is Chris Wade '09, who has four years of experience on the team and has returned to the Andover Soccer community as the Assistant Coach.

"We are looking like a good squad, and, with the addition of Coach Orben as well as some other new players that we hope will be able to contribute a lot to the team, everything is lined up for us to have a great season. We just have to go do it," said Andy Manos '16.

This past Wednesday the team scrimmaged against Nobles and drew out the score to a 0-0 tie. Despite a disappointing performance, the team retains high hopes for the season.

"We know we have a good group of soccer players and this first scrimmage helped us to visualize how each individual comes together as a team," said Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14.

The team will open its competitive season against St. Paul's in an away match on Monday. With an extremely deep roster and the leadership of two veteran Seniors in Chin and Henderson, the team looks at this season optimistically.



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C.CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Brandon Girard '16 (left) and Sam Block '14 (right).

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T.CHIN, THE PHILLIPIAN
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Mtt '15 powers in front of his Brooks opponent.

DiStefano Nets Hat Trick

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Andover	1
St. Pauls	0

Andover	5
Brooks	0

A.WESTFALL THE PHILLIPIAN

Boys Soccer cools down after a 5-0 win over Brooks.

Andover Boys Soccer started its season off on a strong note with two decisive victories against St. Paul's and Brooks this past week.

St. Paul's had a very strong defense, and allowed few scoring chances for Andover.

However, late in the second half, Nick DiStefano '14 slotted the ball through the defense to an open Dylan Mott '15, who struck the ball to the far post, giving Andover a 1-0 lead.

This was all Andover needed to clinch its hard fought battle, and the team won the game 1-0.

"We dominated them possession-wise and we had multiple offensive chances that we should have capitalized on, but defensively we were really solid," said Alex Dziadosz '16.

Andover's goalie Andre Marinho '14 made a great save later in the game, and has yet to be scored on this season.

"We pressed really well all game and put St. Paul's under a lot of pressure, allowing us to get the ball high up the field and create multiple scoring opportunities," said Nick Swenson '15.

Andover found its scoring stride and capitalized on all of its opportunities later in the week, dominating Brooks with a final score of 5-0.

This game was anticipated to be highly competitive due to the history between the two teams. The last two games have ended 1-0, with a win for Andover last year and a loss two years ago.

The first ten minutes of the game went by slowly as the team struggled to possess the ball, but the game turned around when DiStefano crossed the ball to Mott who put it in the back of the net.

This was DiStefano's first of two assists. He also added three more goals.

Andover built off of Mott's goal with a passing play to put it up 2-0. Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 threaded a pass to Mott who looked off a defender as DiStefano came straight down the center with a trailing defender. Mott then slotted the ball right down the middle and DiStefano one-timed it into the side netting.

"Everything just worked well today, it was the best passing I've seen from this team in a while," said Mott.

Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14 came up big with a header goal on a free kick. DiStefano then buried a free kick himself in the top corner putting the score at 4-0. Finally, Brandon Girard '16 cut the ball back at the 18 yard line and assisted DiStefano's third and final goal.

The team looks to keep its performance strong for this Saturday when it hosts what is expected to be a competitive Loomis Chaffee team at 4 p.m.

"We've had a couple of good games against [New England] Class-B competition, but the real season starts next Saturday against Loomis," said DiStefano.

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E.AVVAKUMOVA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Roberto Rabines '16 sneaks past the defender.

Newcomers Save the Day

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Andover	0
Loomis	0

Andover	4
Holderness	1

With six yards between Clark Perkins '14 and the rebounded ball and a Loomis striker coming full speed ahead, Perkins' athletic prowess kicked into play as he dove out to the dangerously placed ball, taking the scoring chance and the opposing player down with him.

Four games into the season, Andover Boys Soccer remains undefeated following a 0-0 tie against Loomis Chaffee last Saturday and a 4-1 win over Holderness this Wednesday.

In his first start for Boys Soccer, Perkins anchored the team as an impenetrable wall in the goal, saving all shots that faced him.

Andover's central midfielders were able to control the midfield and play out to the strikers. But Loomis's very strong defensive line, combined with an equally good goalkeeper, prevented Andover from capitalizing on scoring chances.

Late in the first half, Nick DiStefano '14 fired a free kick into the box which forced the Loomis goalie to make a diving save, punching the ball out at the last second. DiStefano's play reflected the general feel of the game with its last-minute save.

"We were happy with the tie but at the same time we had many scoring opportunities that we could have finished and won the game with," said Alex Dziadosz '16.

After watching the game film, the team looks to attack the wings more often as well as to maintain longer possessions in the offensive end.

The team was given the opportunity to sharpen its play during a game against Holderness. Andover won the game 4-1, powered by two goals from DiStefano. Andre Marinho '14 started in goal for Andover this time around.

The first goal DiStefano scored was assisted by Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14; after receiving the pass, DiStefano faced the goalie in a one v. one situation and scored on a quick toe shot between the goalie's legs.

Later, after DiStefano shot on goal, Dylan Mott '15 found the rebound and chipped the ball over the goalie's head to find the back of the net for the third goal of the game. DiStefano put away his second of the game on another through-ball from Chin.

Andover maintained possession for the majority of the first half and went into the second leading 3-0. However, at the beginning of the second half, the team seemed a step behind Holderness and gave up a goal in the 55th minute.

After the wake up call, Andover regathered and went on to dominate play. Roberto Rabines '16 scored his first goal of the season to close out the game in the 85th minute.

"It was a solid team effort and we pulled out a 4-1 win. The whole team did a good job of moving the ball well... Although we didn't come out as strong in the second half we played a solid game and are looking forward to our next contest on Saturday," said Perkins.

On Saturday, the team will travel to play Tabor. 9/27/13

C.CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Dylan Mott '15 scored a hat trick against Tabor and one goal against Bridgton.

Dylan Mott '15 Scores Four Goals In Two Andover Wins

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Alex Dziadosz '16 tore up the right wing against Bridgton.

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Andover	5
Tabor	2

Andover	3
Bridgton	1

With 15 minutes left in the first half, Nick DiStefano '14 threaded a through ball to Dylan Mott '15, who blew by two Bridgton defenders to score his seventh goal of the season.

Andover scored one more goal later in the game to defeat Bridgton 2-1. Earlier in the week, Andover defeated Tabor 5-2.

The team fell behind early in the first half against Bridgton, though managed to come out with a 2-1 victory. This was the first time this season that Andover has had to battle back from an early deficit.

Fifteen minutes into the game, Bridgton went up 1-0 when Andover's defense lost a tackle in the corner and the ball popped out on the 18, where a well positioned Bridgton player placed it in the right side netting.

In the 30th minute, Andover quickly responded when DiStefano fed Mott a long ball which he was able to chase down. Mott blew by Bridgton's final defender and toe-poked the ball past the keeper for the equalizing goal.

"I thought we should've won the game by more. In the first half, we had a lot of chances that we didn't capitalize on. We played a lot better in the second half and were able to come back from one goal down," said Mott.

In the second half, Andover stepped up its physicality and started winning balls and distributing them more efficiently to strikers Mott and DiStefano. The team also played more aggressively to match Bridgton's high level of intensity.

Seven minutes into the second half, DiStefano was fouled outside Bridgton's 18-yard box. DiStefano, Andover's free kick specialist, lasered a well-placed shot past a Bridgton keeper to put Andover up 2-1.

The back four proved nearly impenetrable against Bridgton, with Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14 and Kene Adigwe '14 making crucial tackles in the center and preventing Bridgton from building up any threatening chances. Andy Manos '16 played valuable one-on-one defense, distributing the ball up to the midfield with force.

Andover's success against Bridgton was preceded this week by a 5-2 win over Tabor on Saturday.

Mott scored three goals, DiStefano had one and Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 scored the last goal to close the Tabor game. Chin took a free kick around midfield that landed at the 18-yard line, then bounced up and over the goalie's head into the goal.

However, Andover gave up more goals against Tabor than it had in any other game, and the team saw many areas in need of improvement for future games.

"I think the Tabor game was a good game for us as a team. They held a high line on us, something we have never seen before. We had a bunch of key players out [of action] and were still able to adapt to their offense," said Henderson. "Having said that, we did not play our best game [against Tabor]. We had two yellow cards on our team, Taylor and I."

He continued, "We are looking to clean things up as we head into the weekend and play Choate on our home field under the lights."

Andover takes on Choate this Saturday night.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

John Sandor '17 assisted Andover's only goal against Choate.

Untouched and Undefeated

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After 80 scoreless minutes filled with back-and-forth physical play, Nick Swenson '15 received the ball on the touchline and swung a lofty cross into the box. After John Sandor '17 brought the ball down at the top of the 18-yard box, Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 stepped up and blasted a one-time shot past Choate's goalkeeper, putting Andover up 1-0.

With 45 seconds left, Choate's holding center midfielder beat Andover's midfield with a single pass to Choate's winger, who fed the ball to the 6-yard line. A strategically placed Choate forward then tapped it in, tying the game 1-1.

Moments later, the whistle blew, ending the game in a tie.

"It was really heartbreaking, but there were a lot of positives to take out of this game because Choate is one of the better teams in our league, and we played well the majority of the game," said Swenson.

Defensively, Choate was compact in the middle, making it difficult for strikers Dylan Mott '15 and Nick DiStefano '14 to be dangerous on offense. Choate played with two true center midfielders and one holding midfielder, so Andover's center midfielders Sam Block '14 and Chin were outnumbered all game, requiring Mott to drop back more than usual.

Because Choate was very technical in the middle, possession was fairly even between the two teams.

"We played 89 great minutes but let up in the last minute," said Kene Adigwe '14, a center back. "This game was a learning experience for us and taught us a lot about ourselves as a team and showed us how important it is to see each game through the end."

In contrast, Andover's match against Winchendon was not as challenging, and the team maintained possession for the entirety of the game, completely dominating on offense.

Andover outscored Winchendon 7-0, with many different players contributing goals.

"We were the more experienced team. It was a total team effort and we improved as a team during this game," said Adigwe.

Andover's goals came from Connor Cameron '15, Chin, Nick DiStefano '14 (2), Alex Dziadosz '16 and Brandon Girard '16 . The remaining goal was an own goal.

Andover was able to get everyone into the game against Winchendon, which is important because the team is in its densest stretch of the season, with four games in six days. This game also displayed Andover's depth—even without its starters on the field, the team still dominated possession of the ball.

Andover's record now stands at 6-0-2, a good position to be in at this point in the season.

Leadership from the team's captains, Chin in the midfield and Graeme Henderson '14 at center back, has been a key factor in Andover's success so far.

"Our captains do a great job of keeping the team organized and on the same page, which has really helped us to play as a team and win consecutive games," said Dziadosz.

Andover looks to continue its winning streak against Exeter on Friday and then against Tilton at home on Saturday. Andover's game against Exeter is an away exhibition match, so the outcome will not contribute to either team's record.

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10 Goals in Two Games: Swift Scoring Sweetens Double Victory

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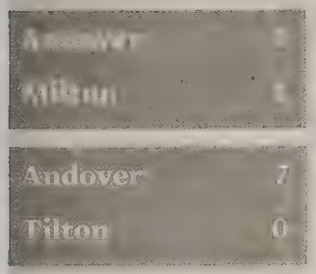

With his team already up 2-1 over Milton, Dylan Mott '15 headed in a cross from Alex Dziadosz '16 at the back post to secure Andover's eighth win of the season.

Andover continued its effective offensive play against both Tilton and Milton this week, scoring a combined ten goals in just two games. Andover defeated Tilton 7-0 and Milton 3-1.

"Our overall offensive posture was marked by our finishing precision and scoring at the right times of the game. Sealing one more victory and one more game, we [stay] undefeated in the 2013 season," said goalkeeper Andre Marinho '14.

Thirty minutes into Milton game, Dylan Mott '15 placed a ball to side netting, which Sam Block '14 tapped in for the first goal of the game. Less than five minutes later, a Milton midfielder played a ball across the 18-yard line, which slipped through Andover's back line. A Milton player received it and placed it on the goal line, where it was accidentally knocked in by an Andover player.

"We went against a Class A team and were in need of [a] convincing win to capitalize on our growing streak of victories, so this game was of paramount importance, especially because we [faced] our hardest opponent yet," said Marinho.

Milton went into the game with a record of 7-2-1, and although Andover emerged 8-0-2, Milton was very dangerous on offense and penetrated Andover's defense multiple times in the first half. Milton only scored one goal, but it had numerous attemptsthat had the potential to change the game.

Going into the second half, Andover focused on preventing defensive breakdowns and increasing its level of communication to break the tie.

Late in the second half, striker Nick DiStefano '14 drove the ball down the wing and beat Milton's left defender down the end line. DiStefano cut the ball back to the penalty spot, where Mott hit a one-time shot past the Milton goalkeeper.

"Everyone played good, aggressive soccer, and really challenged Milton throughout the game," said Clark Perkins '14.

With ten minutes remaining, Dziadosz crossed the ball into the box from the right flank, and Mott headed it his second of the game to give Andover a 3-1 lead.

On the other hand, Tilton was not as strong of an opponent as it has been in past years. Tilton lost many Seniors, and the team's youth got the best of it against an experienced Andover team.

Many Andover players were able to contribute on offense and score goals. Block scored off a corner kick from Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14, and Mott, Conner Cameron '15 and Dziadosz claimed goals as well. Clark Perkins '14 played anchored defense, earning Andover another shutout.

Andover will face Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Friday at 6:00 p.m. under the lights of Phelps Stadium. This game will be one of Andover's toughest matches to date, as NMH beat Loomis 3-1, a team that Andover tied 1-1.

"I think we would like stronger communication against NMH, but I am confident that if we keep playing as a team and continue to work each day to get better that we will come away from Friday with a good result," said Perkins. 10/18/13

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Andy Manos '16, a right back, played pesky defense against Milton and quelled every threat on his side of the pitch.

Boys Battle Back From Deficits

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
NMH	1

Andover	2
Cushing	1

After 82 minutes of back and forth physical play and missed scoring opportunities, a Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) player hit a free kick into Andover's 18-yard box, where another NMH player headed the ball to to a teammate, who then headed it into the back of Andover's net.

Down 1-0, Andover avenged the goal just three minutes later with a free kick taken at midfield by Nick DiStefano '14, who sent the ball to the back post where it sailed over the goalkeepers' hands. Kene Adigwe '14 crashed the net and finished the ball with a header, tying the game 1-1.

In the remaining minutes of the game, Andover's offense put pressure on the NMH defense and created two lethal scoring chances, but the team could not capitalize and settled with a 1-1 tie.

"NMH was definitely a game we could have won, and even though they were a good Class-A team, we were better. But we lost focus in a few crucial moments. We hope to face them again in the tournament and come out on top," said Andy Manos '16.

Dylan Mott '14 played a spectacular game at striker and created many scoring opportunities, but taking advantage of scoring opportunities like these was a weak point for Andover.

"That's a team that we need to be able to beat when we get to the post-season," said Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14. "Right now we've got a lot of wins under our belt, but we have yet to beat a team at the same caliber as NMH. We've tied the toughest teams we've played: NMH, Loomis and Choate."

Eventually gaining a 2-1 win, Andover had to fight its way back into the game against Cushing as well, finding itself down 1-0 in the first 20 minutes. The game's first goal came when a Cushing striker ripped a shot from 25 yards out, catching Andover's defense off guard.

Ten minutes later, Mott blew by two defenders down the sideline and crossed the ball into Cushing's 18 yard box, where DiStefano finished the chance and tied the game 1-1. In the 40th minute, Chin chipped a ball down the field to Mott who blew by multiple defenders, including the goalkeeper, and scored on an empty net.

Andover finished the first half with a 2-1 lead, but Cushing put pressure on Andover's defense and came close to tying the game several times. Andover failed to string consecutive passes together the entire game, failing to manage the competition like they have in past games this season.

"We weren't happy with how we performed. We weren't mentally prepared for this game because we failed to focus on making the right passes or connecting passes at all," said Adigwe. "The field was very narrow and tough to deal with, but that doesn't excuse our inability to connect passes. However, we got the result we wanted and plan on being ready for our upcoming game against Deerfield."

Due to the increased physicality of the past couple games, a few key players have received yellow cards that could force them to sit games in the future. The league rule requires players with three yellow cards to sit out one game, and both Chin and DiStefano already have two yellow cards. Henderson already had his third before the NMH game, which kept him out of the matchup.

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BOYS SOCCER

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*
Nick DiStefano '14 scored the tying goal against Cushing.

S.DIEKEMA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*
Andy Manos '16 tightened Andover's defense at right back.

Andover Can't Lose

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Deerfield	1

Andover	0
Worcester	0

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Sam Block '14 was a force to be reckoned with in the midfield against Worcester and won 50-50 balls left and right.

With his team down 1-0, Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 slipped a clean pass down the middle of the field and between two Deerfield defenders to striker Nick DiStefano '14, who took one touch before slotting it past Deerfield's goaltender, tying the game 1-1.

Andover added a 2-1 victory against Deerfield to its record, which now stands at 10-0-4 after a tie against Worcester. Andover's bout with Deerfield was the third game in a row in which the team had to battle back from a one-goal deficit.

"We were particularly happy about beating Deerfield because we lost to them last year 2-0 and it felt good to face them again and come out on top this time," said Kene Adigwe '14.

Near the end of the first half, Deerfield counterattacked effectively, requiring Andover to transition from offense to defense quickly. Andy Manos '16 committed a foul 35 yards out in order to prevent a Deerfield forward from getting in on goal. On the awarded free kick, a Deerfield player hit a low driven ball that was deflected twice before finding the back of Andover's net.

Andover failed to execute offensively in the first half but managed to maintain possession of the ball for the majority of it and connect many passes. Going into the second half, the team looked to create more offensive chances and, more importantly, convert those to goals.

With ten minutes remaining in the game, Dylan Mott '14 received the ball 25 yards out with his back to Deerfield's goal. In one motion, Mott turned and ripped a shot in the top left corner of the net. Mott's goal put Andover up 2-1, and both teams went scoreless in the remaining time.

During the second half, Andover created many more chances on offense, and controlled the midfield due to Chin and Sam Block '14 repeatedly winning tackles and distributing the ball. Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14 also had a huge impact on defense, as he teamed up with Manos to shut down Deerfield's most threatening striker.

Andover tied Worcester 0-0. Although Andover was hungry for a win after losing to Worcester in a New England Quarter Final match last year, the team was satisfied with the tie, as Worcester remains a strong tournament contender this year as well. With wins against top teams such as Hotchkiss, Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) and KUA, Worcester was eager to end Andover's undefeated streak. Both teams had many opportunities on offense, but goaltender Andre Marinho '14 was able to pull through with the shutout.

"Andre was the backbone of our team today and made some big-time saves when put under pressure," said Josh Murphy '15.

Worcester was very compact on defense and had many big, fast players midfield. They also had age and experience on their side, with five contributing Post-Graduates and many Seniors.

Brandon Girard '16 demonstrated his speed and created many scoring chances despite Worcester's compact defense. Worcester did not have as many scoring chances compared to Andover.

As Andover embarks on its final stretch of the season, the competition gets no easier with KUA this weekend, a top Class B team.

"We are looking forward to finishing up this tough week without a loss and hope to finish and defend better in order to defeat KUA," said Henderson.

Dylan Mott '15 will lead Boys Soccer as a forward.

BOYS VARSITY SOCCER

Last year, Andover Boys Soccer beat Exeter 1-0, with the only goal coming off a pass across the 18-yard box from Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 to Dylan Mott '15, who blasted the ball over the head of the Exeter goalkeeper.

This year, Exeter will look to upset Andover, which has won three of the teams' last four meetings. The undefeated Andover team is optimistic heading into its matchup against Exeter, which has a 9-6-2 record, compared to Andover's 11-0-5 record.

"There are so many emotions flying around between the cheering of the crowd and [knowing] that you're participating in a legendary rivalry, so the most difficult thing to do as a team is to stay focused and play your game," said Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14.

Andover hopes to continue its winning streak under the leadership of Co-Captains Chin and Henderson. Few teams have threatened Andover's rock-solid defense, which consists of Kene Adigwe '14 and Henderson in the center, with Andy Manos '16 and Josh Murphy '15 on the outsides.

Additionally, Andover has an extremely productive forward tandem with Mott and Nick DiStefano '14, who have scored the majority of the team's goals this season.

"In every Andover/Exeter game, the records of each team are thrown out the window, and every year, the two teams come together and play a good match regardless of how their season has been going," said Adigwe.

Knowing that anything can happen, Andover looks to complete its undefeated season against Exeter this A/E Weekend. 11/8/13

Double Victories Drive Boys Toward Championship

By Savannah Mastrangelo
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COURTESY OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY

Dylan Mott '15 scored four of Andover's six goals on Saturday.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andy Manos '16 held down Andover's defense, aiding the team's shutout against Loomis.

Andover	6
Exeter	2

Andover	1
Loomis	0

With only 25 minutes left in Andover Boys Soccer's New England Quarterfinal match, Sam Block '14 ripped a shot that the Loomis goalie rebounded before Co-Captain Taylor Chin '14 headed it into the top left corner.

Before passing the ball to Block, Nick DiStefano '14 received the ball from Brandon Girard '16. DiStefano got the pass off to Block as he was falling due to a hard tackle. With four players directly involved in the build up, Andover's goal was a team effort.

Andover, ranked third in New England going into the Quarterfinal match, beat Loomis 1-0 and will face Worcester Academy in the New England Semi-Finals on Saturday at Worcester.

The team capped off its undefeated regular season last weekend with a 6-2 victory over Phillips Exeter Academy, leaving Andover with a 12-0-5 record.

Dylan Mott '15 put on a scoring clinic with four goals, one of them off an unassisted run through Exeter's entire defense. DiStefano assisted Mott's other three goals and added two of his own.

"I think the reason we haven't lost a game, particularly this quarterfinal game, is because we have a lot of Seniors who have been on the team for awhile. These Seniors give their all each game in hopes of getting to play just one more game in blue," said Chin.

Against Loomis, Andover played its typical tenacious defense, with Kene Adigwe '14 and Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14 stepping to the ball effectively and shutting down Loomis's offense. Although Loomis looked threatening early in the game, Andover's defense came out on top after the first half.

Andover missed a few potential scoring opportunities, including a couple open netters and some shots that hit the crossbar. The team will have to capitalize on these chances if it hopes to make a deep run in the playoffs.

"It has been a long journey to here, but we have to keep looking forward. It isn't time to celebrate yet," said DiStefano.

Against Exeter, Andover showed its best finishing all season after struggling to score against tougher competition in Class A. This was Andover's second consecutive win against Exeter after defeating its archrival last year 1-0.

"The positive attitude of the team has been accumulating throughout the season, and our team is playing the best soccer we have played all season because of this. We look to carry this positive attitude to these last few games and hope that it can climax on Sunday," said Adigwe.

Andover will have to muster all of its strength against second ranked Worcester on Saturday.

"I couldn't be more proud of this team; we've showed a lot of great determination this season, but we still have a lot more work to do. We aren't satisfied yet," said Andy Manos '16.

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Taylor Chin and Graeme Henderson

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Co-Captains Taylor Chin '14 and Graeme Henderson '14 have led Andover Boys Soccer to an undefeated regular season and a crucial quarterfinal victory over Loomis Chaffee, propelling the team toward its quest to secure a perfect season and the New England Championship for the first time since 2004.

Chin and Henderson's combined seven years on the team, as well as their respective skills on the field, make them a powerful duo. While Henderson anchors the team's defense at center-back, Chin controls the play at center midfield.

"The younger kids follow their lead, and these two have been amazing leaders," said Head Coach Bill Scott. "In every case I've had an undefeated team, I would point to leadership as being the most important part."

A Senior from Ipswich, Mass., and the only four-year player on the team, Chin has accumulated invaluable experience on the field that he translates into play.

"I've seen what works and what doesn't and what factors have added to a successful season, and also I've seen what things are detrimental to a season," said Chin.

"I try to promote an atmosphere where everyone is contributing and everyone feels like they have a piece of the pie, where we're holding each other accountable and making sure that we're giving our best and our teammates are giving us their best," he continued.

Chin has succeeded in strengthening the team on and off the field. "[Chin is] the Captain that gets things done when no one is watching. He's the one you go to if you have a problem," said Dylan Mott '15.

Nick Swenson '15 added, "Taylor brings a lot of focus to everything we do on the team and he works really hard. He sets a really good example."

Having entered Andover as a new Lower, Henderson has been an aggressive force on the team for the past three years.

Although being voted Captain last year took him by surprise, he has stepped up to the role this season.

"I wasn't really expecting it, but I was glad to take on the responsibility. I've been committed to team for three years, but there are a lot of great guys who could have been voted over me," said Henderson.

Henderson channels his passion for the game by keeping the team connected amongst each other. "I try to be a big voice on the field. I can see where everybody is and what is going on, so I need to communicate," he said.

"Graeme is really aware of the game, and he tries to make sure we are all on the same page," said Colby Lapointe '16.

Mott added, "Graeme is a commander on the field, and if you do something wrong, he'll let you know. But at the same time he is one of the nicer guys on the team."

Despite their different personalities and different styles of play, Chin and Henderson have worked together to balance each other and do the best for the team.

"We work well most of the time together. When we do butt heads though I think the outcome is a more balanced, well thought-out one," said Chin.

Both Chin and Henderson have been selected for the New England Prep School Senior All-Star team. First, however, they hope to conclude their Andover careers by taking on Worcester this Saturday and earning a spot in the New England Championship's final game. 11/5/13

Sport: Girls Varsity Soccer

Year: 2013

Captains: Hannah Guzzi, Diana Tchadi

Coach: Lisa Joel

Assistant Coach: Willa Abel

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Chazen, Zoe
Chin, Cassandra
Fenton, Jordyn
Gaiss, Austin
Garrity, Caroline
Guzzi, Hannah
Humes, Alana
Humes, Sarah
Kemp, Elizabeth
Kreider, Katherine
LaMarche, Olivia
LeBoeuf, Foster
Marsh, Deyana
Mastrangelo, Savannah
McCall, Nekele
Moreau, Jeanine
Peterson, Tessa
Remmel, Remington
Shipley, Caroline
Suarez, Natalia
Tammaro, Antonia
Tchadi, Diana
Thomas, Alexandra
Wayne, Alysandria
Yost, Kinsey

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Soccer Girls Varsity
2013 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
	Kemp, Elizabeth	GK	2015	Greenwich, CT
	Tammaro, Antonia	GK	2017	Lynnfield, MA
2	Kreider, Katherine	M	2014	Boxford, MA
3	Marsh, Deyana	B	2017	Middleton, MA
4	Humes, Sarah	M	2016	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
5	McCall, Nekele	M	2014	Cambridge, MA
6	Humes, Alana	F	2015	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
7	Wayne, Alysandria	M	2014	Lowell, MA
8	Chazen, Zoe	M	2014	New York, NY
9	Mastrangelo, Savannah	B	2016	Topsfield, MA
10	Guzzi, Hannah*	F	2014	Southborough, MA
11	Suarez, Natalia	B	2017	Andover, MA
12	Fenton, Jordyn	F	2017	Andover, MA
13	Peterson, Tessa	M	2015	Nederland, CO
14	LaMarche, Olivia	M	2016	Lynnfield, MA
15	Chin, Cassandra	M	2017	Ipswich, MA
17	Shipley, Caroline	M	2016	Andover, MA
19	Moreau, Jeanine	B	2016	Litchfield, CT
20	Thomas, Alexandra	F	2015	Concord, MA
23	Garrity, Caroline	M	2015	Lynnfield, MA
24	Tchadi, Diana*	B	2014	Iowa City, IA
25	Yost, Kinsey	B	2015	Lake Oswego, OR

*Captains

Coach: Lisa Joel
Assistant Coach: Willa Abel

Managers: Austin Gaiss '14, Remington Remmel '14, Foster LeBoeuf '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/11 @ 3:15 PM	Milton	A	Game	L 0-1
9/16 @ 5:30 PM	Rivers	H	Game	L 0-1
9/18 @ 3:15 PM	Middlesex	A	Game	W 1-0
9/21 @ 4:00 PM	Loomis	A	Game	L 1-2
9/27 @ 4:45 PM	B. B. & N.	A	Game	W 2-0
9/28 @ 3:45 PM	Tabor	A	Game	L 0-2
10/5 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 1-0
10/9 @ 3:00 PM	Brooks	A	Game	L 0-1
10/12 @ 6:00 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	T 1-1
10/16 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's Academy	A	Game	W 2-1
10/19 @ 2:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 4-0
10/23 @ 3:30 PM	Thayer	H	Game	W 2-1
10/26 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield	A	Game	L 0-6
10/30 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 0-2
11/1 @ 5:30 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Game	T 2-2
11/2 @ 3:00 PM	Pingree	A	Game	W 2-1
11/6 @ 3:00 PM	Worcester	A	Game	L 1-4
11/9 @ 10:30 AM	Exeter	A	Game	T 1-1

Highlights

Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/11/2013 11:15 AM		Game		0-1

Andover traveled to Milton Academy for the season opener of the Big Blue's 2013 campaign.

Andover traveled to Milton Academy for the season opener of the Big Blue's 2013 campaign. On an unusually hot September day, both teams battled it out on the offensive and defensive ends of the field. Milton was able to create an early opportunity and took the lead 1-0 in the first minute of play with a blast from the 25 yard line. In the second half, Andover stood tough with the leadership of captains, Hannah Guzzi and Diana Tchadi, creating dangerous opportunities that were thwarted by the Milton goaltender. Newcomers, Jeanine Moreau and Deyana Marsh had great debuts for the Big Blue in the backfield, while Sarah Humes and Olivia LaMarche had important minutes off the bench. Coach Joel named Guzzi offensive player of the game, Tchadi defensive player of the game and was happy with goaltender, Elizabeth Kemp, who contributed seven saves to the team effort.

Rivers

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/16/2013 1:30 PM	H	Game		0-1

Tough Loss To Rivers

Andover girls dropped their home opener, 1-0, in an exciting 80 minutes of soccer. With just under 10 minutes left to play, Rivers capitalized on a corner kick off the head of center back Melanie Lehan.
Andover's back four - Deyana Marsh, Kinsey Yost, Jeanine "JMo" Moreau and Diana Tchadi - anchored the team and kept a strong Rivers offense from breaking into their offensive third for much of the game. Aly Wayne and Katie Kreider did a great job controlling the midfield play and outside midfielder, Sarah Humes, also had a fantastic afternoon. Hannah Guzzi created the most dangerous opportunity of the day on a low, driven cross but Andover couldn't find the other end to put the ball away in the back of the net.
Elizabeth Kemp continues to show great presence in the goal, coming up with six saves. Big Blue's Player of the Game was Kinsey Yost.

Middlesex

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/18/2013 11:15 AM		Game		1-0

Andover Beats Middlesex on the Road

Andover posted its first win of the season on the road against Middlesex. The gameplan to attack early paid off as captain Hannah Guzzi scored in the first three minutes of play from a ball played inside the box by midfielder Caroline Garrity. While the team created more scoring opportunities, they were unable to capitalize beyond Guzzi's game winner.
Middlesex came on strong in the second half and created a number of dangerous chances. Once again the back four along with keeper Elizabeth Kemp held off the attack and the game ended 1-0.
The Big Blue Player of the Game was Jeanine Moreau. Also getting back on the field after injury was Zoe Chazen who added a much needed spark to the Big Blue squad.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/21/2013 12:00 PM		Game		1-2

Tough One Goal Loss to Loomis

On a beautiful Saturday afternoon game on Graves Field, Andover engaged in another hard fought battle against a formidable opponent and fell 2-1 to the Loomis Pelicans. For the first forty minutes of play, the Andover girls stayed focused on preventing Loomis from attacking down the middle of the pitch. The back four, led by Kinsey Yost, held the Loomis girls outside the 18 with tenacious team defense. Through the midfield, Aly Wayne, Katie Kreider, Zoe Chazen, Caroline Garrity, Caroline Shipley and Sarah Humes worked hard on both ends of the field to stop the Loomis attack and build PA's attack as well. Up front, Hannah Guzzi, Alex Thomas, Alana Humes and Jordyn Fenton challenged the Loomis backs with a dynamic and relentless attack but couldn't find the back of the net.
Loomis got on the board first off a penalty kick with just minutes to play in the first half. The Andover girls knew they had to step up their game in the second half and great one and two touch play led to the first Andover goal inside the Loomis 18 - Guzzi to Wayne to a finishing Thomas. Unfortunately with six minutes left to play, Loomis snuck inside the 18 and knotted the game winner. Player of the game was goal scorer Alex Thomas. Earning her first varsity minutes was 9th grader Jordyn Fenton. Goalkeeper Elizabeth Kemp had five saves.

B. B. & N.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/27/2013 12:45 PM		Game		2-0

Andover travelled to Cambridge and brought home a 2-0 Victory

Andover travelled to Cambridge and brought home a 2-0 victory behind two goals from upper striker Alex Thomas. The Big Blue played a dynamic game for a full 80 minutes. Strikers Hannah Guzzi and Alex Thomas have worked hard to find each other in the offensive third and today, it paid off, with Guzzi sending Thomas through for an easy finish in the first ten minutes of play. In the second half of play, midfielder Katie Kreider made a huge run with the ball after winning it in the midfield. Kreider raced down the left wide of the field, pulled the goal to the near post and then sent a perfect slotted ball to Thomas at the far post who just guided it into the back of the net.
The highlight of the game was the varsity start for ninth grade keeper Antonia Tammaro who came up with seven great saves and earned player of the game in the shutout. Also earning some great minutes and quality play were Alana Humes, Savannah Mastrangelo and Caroline Shipley. As always, the back four of Diana Tchadi, Kinsey Yost, Jeanine "JMo" Moreau and Deyana Marsh proved unbeatable.

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 12:45 PM	H	Game	Smoyer Field	1-0

Huge 1-0 victory for the girls in Blue!

The Andover girls earned a huge 1-0 win against powerhouse Choate on Smoyer Field and improved their record to 3-4.
After a week of focused training interspersed with team bonding as well as a day off, the Andover girls were eager to return to the pitch after a disappointing result against Tabor Academy one week prior.
The game was well played at both ends and the first half of play saw each squad earning one quality chance at net though neither team was able to convert. Goal Keeper and ninth grader sensation Antonia Tammaro was a huge difference maker - coming up with eight big time saves over 80 minutes. Tammaro was support by her back four of Diana Tchadi, Kinsey Yost Jeanine "Jmo" Moreau and Deyana Marsh who play with more and more composure each outing.
Through the mid-field, gutsy play from Caroline Shipley, Katie Kreider, Sarah Humes, Aly Wayne, Tessa Peterson and Caroline Garrity proved to be the inspiration. The midfielders worked up and down to the field to win the ball back from a dangerous Choate offense and then start a quick attack. Hannah Guzzi and Alex Thomas did a great job getting the ball at their feet and attacking the Choate backs both down the middle of the field and on the edge.
Twenty minutes into the second half, Katie Kreider blasted a perfect lofted shot from over 25 yards out over the head of a talented Choate keeper. While Choate came on strong in the last 10 minutes of play and earned 5 corners, Andover would not relent.
Players of the game were Antonia Tammaro and Katie Kreider. The squad celebrated one of the most well-played and exciting games in recent GVS history.

Brooks

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 11:00 AM	[redacted]	Game		0-1

Tough 0-1 Loss to Brooks

Seventy eight minutes of back and forth play defined the Brooks-Andover matchup. Both teams fought to get in the defensive third with little success or dangerous opportunities created. With just under 2 minutes left to play, Brooks earned a free kick from 25 yards out and targeted their talented striker Bella Papapetros who headed the ball past the Andover keeper. A number of girls came off the PA bench for meaningful minutes and Natalia Suarez earned player of the game for some great play on the midfield flank.

Thayer

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/23/2013 11:30 AM	H	Game		2-1

Come From Behind 2-1 Win over Thayer

After falling behind to Thayer 1-0 midway through the first half, the Andover girls stepped up their game during the last 40 minutes. Senior Katie Kreider scored both goals in a twelve minute period assisted by Aly Wayne and Hannah Guzzi. Player of the game was sophomore Olivia LaMarche.

GIRLS SOCCER

Senior-Heavy Team Has High Hopes

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
Milton	1

Despite a tough 1-0 loss to Milton in its season opener this past Wednesday, Andover Girls Soccer is looking to capture the New England Championship this year. Coming off of a disappointing season filled with injuries, the young team has added 12 players to their roster, including Jordyn Fenton '17, Deyana Marsh '17, Cassandra Chin '17, Natalia Suarez '17 and Antonia Tammaro '17.

The team fell short of expectations in the 2012 season, failing to make the playoffs after injuries to strong players, including midfielders Katie Kreider '14 and Zoe Chazen '14.

"I love playing with every person on the team and I'm sad I missed out on playing with most of these girls last year. Personally, I just want to stay healthy so that I can make a bigger contribution to the team this year and do whatever I can to help the team be successful," wrote Kreider in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Andover fell behind early in its first game of the season and was unable to recover. A goal by Milton within the first 20 seconds proved enough to topple Andover. While Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14 and Kreider took numerous shots on Milton's goal, their attacks were deflected by Milton's goalie.

Andover's goalie, Elizabeth Kemp '15, played equally well as her teammates, netting a total of seven saves.

While Andover took home a tough loss, the season opener also brought some positive takeaways. Jeanine Moreau '17 and Marsh debuted well in the backfield, complementing strong tackles from Sarah Humes '16.

"Once we calmed down and started to get into the motions of playing together, we created a lot of dangerous opportunities and we were just not able to capitalize on them. If we keep coming together with each game, we will have a great season. I'm proud of the way that we played as a team," said Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14.

"It was a great first game. We were able to see how we can play together. It was definitely not a bad loss and I am very excited for our next game on Monday. This season we are focusing on working together as a team, keeping ourselves healthy and just taking it one game at a time," said Guzzi.

Andover will look to claim its first win this coming Monday when it faces off against Rivers. 9/13/13

Girls Bounce Back with Win Against ~~Rivers~~ Middlesex

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Middlesex	0

Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14 opened the game against Middlesex with a bang, netting a goal merely three minutes in on Wednesday. Andover Girls Soccer went on to seal the victory, avenging a tough loss to Rivers earlier in the week for an overall record of 1-1.

Andover's defense fought hard against a particularly aggressive Rivers on Monday, but ultimately Rivers capitalized on a corner kick for a header in the final six minutes of the game to finish 1-0.

"We had a very good game overall," said Elizabeth Kemp '15, the goalie. "We didn't get down on ourselves after the goal, and finished off the last five minutes with our heads up. I was very proud of the way that we played."

A strong performance from Andover's four defenders, Deyana Marsh '17, Kinsey Yost '15, Jeanine Moreau '16 and Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14, anchored the team and kept the ball from breaking into Andover's offensive third. Additionally, an impressive six saves from Kemp kept the team in a continuous back-and-forth against Rivers for much of the game.

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Hannah Guzzi '14 traps the ball.

"Our defense was on point and completely dominated their offense," said Yost. "Sometimes there is just nothing you can do to defend some textbook perfect cornèrs. They are a very good team, so for us to come together as one unified force and pressure them for a full 80 minutes was a victory in my eyes."

"I am very proud to say I am a part of the defensive line," she continued. "I think that if we communicate, we are unstoppable."

After a strong start on Wednesday against Middlesex, the team increased the pressure to open up shots on the goal. Tosses from midfielder Sarah Humes '16 and playmaking by Alex Thomas '15 and Katie Krieder '14 bolstered Andover's offense.

"We are learning how to play together; the team chemistry is improving with every game," said Moreau.

Andover was unable to play the final ball, however, and finished the game 1-0. Despite winning, the team remains critical of its performance and hopes to minimize missed chances in the future.

"It is definitely not a win that we are proud of," said Tessa Peterson '15. "We played down to their level and gave them the opportunity to get back into the game that they did not deserve."

Andover will focus on practicing communication and precision to prepare for its next game against Loomis, known for switching the field quickly. Andover hopes to quicken the pace of game as well as continuing to create open space and opportunities to score.

"I think that we are playing very well," Yost said. "We just need to get a better sense of how each individual likes to play so we can mesh better as a team on the field."

Andover Girls Soccer looks forward to showing improvement against Loomis on Saturday.

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Defense Falls In Final Six Minutes

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Loomis	2

With 15 minutes remaining in the second half, Aly Wayne '14 drove down the field and took a shot on goal. While Loomis's goalie diverted the shot, Alex Thomas '15 was quick to react, deflecting the ball into the net before Loomis's goalie could recover.

The goal, however, was not enough for Andover, as the team fell to Loomis, 2-1 on Saturday.

"Although we did not win, the team put up a great fight and worked extremely well together as a unit. Everyone put in their best effort and was there to support one another," said Wayne.

Andover's defense dropped back in the first half, hoping to combat the scoring abilities of the Loomis midfielders.

The strategy proved effective, preventing the Loomis offense from entering scoring territory for much of the first 30 minutes. Loomis, however, scored off a penalty kick, breaking the 0-0 tie with less than a minute remaining in the first half.

With Loomis up by one, Andover altered the pace of the game. "We had more of a defensive strategy during the first half and we shut them down in the middle. But going into the second half we focused more on attacking and looking for scoring opportunities," said Sarah Humes '16.

Focused on scoring, the Andover midfielders attacked the net with multiple shots on goal. The offensive attack culminated with Andover's first goal of the game by Thomas.

Andover took control of the field while remaining on the offensive and preventing Loomis from taking shots on goal.

With only six minutes remaining, Loomis entered Andover's territory, scoring on a fast break that split up Andover's defense.

The team was unable to recover from the goal and fell 2-1.

"It went really well from the defensive perspective; neither goal was scored beating us around. The game has given us very manageable goals to improve upon," said Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14.

"We executed our game plan really well, the entire team needs to be better defensively as a unit, but it was good to see that we were able to come back from the PK and get a goal of our own. Now we just need to focus on playing our all for all 80 minutes of the game," added Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14.

After losing the last three of its four games, Andover will try to begin a winning streak against BB&N on Friday and Tabor on Saturday.

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Aly Wayne '14 spearheads Andover's offense.

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GIRLS SOCCER

Rollercoaster Weekend Ends 2-0 and 0-2

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
BB&N	0

Andover	0
Tabor	2

Katie Kreider '14 dribbled down the field to the end line in the middle of the second half, slotting the ball back across the top of the six-yard box to teammate Alex Thomas '15, who fired a shot past the BB&N goalie to solidify Andover's 2-0 win.

Thomas scored the first goal as well off an assist from Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14. After a break away, Guzzi passed the ball to Thomas, who scored despite being stormed by three defenders.

Hungry for a win, Andover went into Friday's game ready to play fast and control the ball.

"We played really well and as a team. We did a good job of playing to feet against BB&N and not letting their over-aggressiveness get to us," said Kreider, "We worked hard, fought throughout the entire game and problem-solved well when things didn't go our way."

Andover's defense held BB&N to limited scoring chances. The backbone of the defense was Antonia Tammaro '17, playing her first career game as a goalie, as she posted a shutout and made key diving saves.

"The team played very well as a unit. We stayed composed and were really supportive towards each other," said Tammaro.

Towards the end of the game, BB&N was desperate for a goal and became very physical, but Andover stayed composed and finished the game to celebrate its second win of the season.

On Saturday, Andover traveled down to Tabor and suffered a 0-2 loss.

In the first half, a Tabor player took a shot from the 18-yard box that soared into the top right corner that gave Tabor a 1-0 lead.

Although Andover's play improved in the second half, the team was unable to find the back of the net. Midfielders Sarah Humes '16 and Kreider did a great job of sending the ball over the Tabor defense to Thomas and Guzzi, but Andover was unable to capitalize on its scoring chances.

Tabor scored once again in the second half to take a 2-0 lead and the victory.

"We hoped to pull away with a [win], but I am proud of the team regardless of the 2-0 loss. We'll work even harder this week during practice for our next game this coming Saturday," said Caroline Garrity '15.

Andover will face an undefeated Choate team at home on Saturday night.

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Andover Deals Choate First Loss

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Choate	0

Andover	0
Brooks	1

With 17 minutes left on the clock, Katie Kreider '14 dribbled down the field, blew by Choate's midfield and sniped a goal from over 25 yards out. Kreider's goal would decide Andover Girls Soccer's 1-0 win over Choate. Prior to this match, Choate was undefeated, averaging four goals a game and boasting the impressive feat of having no goals scored against it.

"We knew it would be a challenge to win against an undefeated team, but we used their record as motivation to prove that they could be beat. I'm glad I got to experience the game and overall am ecstatic about the team's performance," wrote Antonia Tammaro '17, Andover's goalkeeper, in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

In the last 15 minutes of the game, Choate scrambled to score the equalizer and successfully created seven corner kick opportunities. However, Tammaro and Andover's defense held their ground and blocked every attempted cross. Tammaro herself recorded eight saves throughout the game. Andover's back four assisted Tammaro with defensive prowess and effective communication.

"We finally were able to display our full capacity as a team. I have never seen [this team] rise to an occasion like this before, and I couldn't be any more proud," said Kinsey Yost '15.

The team's midfielders, Caroline Garrity '15, Sarah Humes '16, Aly Wayne '14, Caroline Shipley '16 and Kreider, kept the ball away from Choate's offense with effective attacks.

Forwards Hannah Guzzi '14 and Alex Thomas '14 threatened Choate down the middle and on the edges of the field, helping Andover secure its victory.

On Wednesday, Andover traveled to play its cross-town rival, Brooks. The team showed signs of fatigue, falling 0-1.

The only goal of the game came in the last two minutes on a free kick initially saved by Elizabeth Kemp '15, Andover's goalie, but was then headed in by a Brooks forward.

Andover went into the game with a focus on passing and bypassing the midfield, but the was unable to get the ball to Guzzi and Thomas consistently. On the occasions that Andover was able to find Guzzi or Thomas, the team's shooting played right into the Brooks goalie's hands.

Brook's two forwards were the backbone of the team's offense and proved to be a challenge for Andover's defense. Andover worked hard to manage them, allowing Brooks's only goal to come on a set piece, not in the run of play.

Natalia Suarez '17 came off the bench to play outside midfield, creating two corner kick opportunities and sparking the team's energy.

Andover will take on St. Paul's under the lights on Saturday night with hopes of improving its 3-5 record.

CAPTAINS' FEATURE

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Hannah Guzzi and Diana Tchadi

Co-Captains Diana Tchadi '14 and Hannah Guzzi '14 cheered, booted and drove down the field in Andover's 1-0 victory over an undefeated Choate team on Saturday.

Tchadi and Guzzi are leading Andover Girls Soccer in its quest for the postseason this year. After attending the postseason in 2010 and 2011, Andover barely missed out on the playoffs last year.

Tchadi is a four-year Senior from Iowa City, Iowa, and plays an integral role in Andover's defense. Guzzi, a four-year Senior from Southborough, Massachusetts, spearheads Andover's offense. As team leaders both on-and-off the field, the four-year Varsity pair complement each other perfectly.

"[Hannah] inspires the team up front [on offense], while Diana inspires them in the back. It is the perfect complement," said Head Coach Lisa Joel.

"[Diana and Hannah] are similar in that they are both really positive and really good influences," said Caroline Shipley '16.

While they may be similar in their positivity, both Tchadi and Guzzi agree that they are different types of players and leaders.

"[Hannah] provides the warmth and comfort someone needs where I might be the 'do this' voice you don't want to hear," said Tchadi.

As a duo, Guzzi and Tchadi anchor the team at both ends of the field. But even when they are not working together, both possess incredible talent and dedication to their sport.

Tchadi and Guzzi are both tri-varsity athletes. Guzzi plays soccer, basketball and lacrosse, while Tchadi plays soccer, and competes for both the indoor and outdoor track teams.

Tchadi also captains all three teams, a testament to her work ethic and leadership skills.

"Diana is uniquely driven as an athlete," said Coach Joel. "[Diana] epitomizes the type of athlete that is improving herself when no one is watching."

"[Diana] has such team spirit, and she is always so pumped and gets everyone else excited," added Shipley.

When asked to describe her leadership style, Diana said, "I try and lead by example. I don't think you can be an effective leader if you ask someone to do something and you're not doing it yourself."

Guzzi's natural skill and years of experience make her a tough matchup for Andover's opponents.

"Hannah is considered by opponents as really hard to stop, and unfortunately they usually have to use two players to stop her. And what's great about Hannah is that she just sees it as a challenge," said Joel.

As captains, Guzzi and Tchadi work together with Coach Joel to lead the team, a job made easier due to their strong relationship. "I think there's just a dynamic between me, Diana and Lisa, always wanting the team to be better," said Guzzi.

"[The team] couldn't ask for more spirited, dedicated and fun-loving individuals, and put them together and you have the most dynamic and inspirational duo ever," said Kinsey Yost '15.

As Co-Captains, roommates and best friends, Tchadi and Guzzi will use their special bond and inspiring qualities to help turn around the team's 3-5-0 record.

Girls Upset Undefeated Governor's

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Governors	1

Andover	1
St. Paul's	1

Zoe Chazen '14 stormed down the field, weaved through three defenders and crossed the ball in the air to find Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14, who finished off the play with a diving header to the top right corner of the net in the middle of the second half of Andover Girls Soccer game on Wednesday against Governor's.

Guzzi's goal solidified Andover's 2-1 away victory over Governor's, a previously undefeated team. This was one of two times that Andover has ruined a team's undefeated record this season, the first being Choate on October 5.

"Overall it's been hard having a losing record, but we proved again that we can beat any team we want to when we all focus and come together as a single unit. The game [against Governor's] was a good confidence booster and gave us momentum to work off of for the rest of the season," said Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14.

Prior to Wednesday's game, Governor's had only allowed four goals the entire season. Dynamic forwards Alex Thomas '15 and Guzzi worked together, each scoring one goal. Thomas's goal came 15 minutes into the game off an assist from Guzzi.

Governor's offense, led by three powerhouse forwards, has been dominant this season with a total of 21 goals scored in eight games before facing Andover.

Andover's defense did a great job of not allowing the forwards to penetrate. Governor's was unable to score until the last ten minutes of the game when it capitalized on a corner kick.

"The team didn't let the outside factors, some would say the intimidating team, affect the game. We played our game from the first whistle," said Elizabeth Kemp '15.

Under the lights last Saturday, the team battled cold weather and slippery turf to tie St. Paul's 1-1 in a comeback during the final ten minutes of the game.

With 12 minutes remaining in the first half, St. Paul's lofted a shot over the head of goalie Antonia Tamarro '17 from 35 yards out to take the lead. St Paul's dominated the first half with quick transitions and chaotic attacks which split Andover's defense down the middle.

Andover started the second half with a bang by creating many attacks on goal and playing aggressively up the middle. However, the team failed to capitalize on its opportunities as the St. Paul's goalie was quick off her line.

Andover scrambled during the final ten minutes to score the equalizer. Andover's many efforts were finally successful after a 30-yard rocket from Guzzi with seven minutes left on the clock.

"We were really hyped up to see the team win so well especially since in the beginning we weren't too sure where to go, considering how many Seniors we had lost," said Tessa Peterson '15.

Hungry for another win, Andover hopes to improve its 4-5-1 record at home game against Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday.

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Hannah Guzzi '14 scored the tying goal against St. Paul's.

Three Game Win Streak

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
NMH	0

Andover	2
Thayer	1

With only 30 seconds elapsed in Andover's game against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH), Zoe Chazen '14 stormed down the middle of the field and passed the ball to Alex Thomas '15, who shot a laser into the top right corner of NMH's goal.

Andover jumped to an early 2-0 lead over NMH just six minutes into the game.

Andover's forwards exploited NMH's weak defense.

Six minutes after scoring the first goal of the game, Thomas dribbled down the right side of the field and sent a cross in the air to Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14, who headed the ball into the top left corner of the net.

Andover's third goal of the game came from an NMH defender's own goal five minutes into the second half. Katie Kreider '14 scored Andover's fourth goal on a breakaway assisted by Kinsey Yost '15.

Andover's 4-0 victory marked its fifth win of the season, and the team celebrated along with a packed bleacher of parents.

Both Antonia Tamarro '17, in the first half, and Elizabeth Kemp '15, in the second half, contributed to Andover's shutout in net.

Many players stepped up off the bench to make important plays in the game, including Jordyn Fenton '17, Savannah Mastrangelo '16, Tessa Peterson '15 and Alana Humes '14.

"It felt amazing playing on Saturday. When I got off the field my teammates were there to keep me excited and ready to go out and shoot again," wrote Fenton in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

"As a team we felt very good about the outcome of the game. We finished our crosses and found the back of the net, which is something that we have been struggling with," added Mastrangelo.

Andover continued its momentum on Wednesday in an energy-filled 2-1 win over Thayer.

The team was aggressive on offense from the first whistle and controlled possession of the ball for the majority of the game. Most of the game was played on Thayer's half of the field, and Andover had many shots on goal.

After 15 minutes of play, Thayer scored off of a rocket from 25 yards out into the top right corner of the net.

Andover's defense blocked two free kick attempts in the first half. Tchadi did not let up on defense and cleared the ball up the field. Jeanine Moreau '16 made important assists that critically helped Kemp in the goal.

Going into the second half, Andover focused on scoring and putting more players up top to bolster its offense. Within ten minutes, midfielder Aly Wayne '14 dribbled the ball up the field and passed it to Kreider, who tapped the ball into the back of the net to score the tying goal.

With 20 minutes remaining on the clock, Kreider scored again on a one-on-one play against the goalie, with the assist coming from Guzzi.

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Aly Wayne '14 wove past defenders for an assist to the tying goal against Thayer.

Tough Week for Girls; Problems Finishing Prevent Success

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
Deerfield	6
Andover	0
Nobles	2

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Zoe Chazen '14 pressured the Nobles defense througout the game.

After Nobles capitalized on a scoring opportunity 20 minutes into the first half, defensive back Jeanine Moreau '16 stepped up to play between the midfielders and defenders, strengthening Andover Girls Soccer's offense.

Increased pressure and aggressive play in the second half led to multiple fouls called on both teams, but Andover could not capitalize on its scoring opportunities and fell to Nobles 2-0 on Wednesday.

"The game was definitely tough, we had our opportunities and Nobles told us that we were their toughest competitors that they had faced so far, which gives us some satisfaction. Of course we wish that we had won, but we all worked really hard and are proud of ourselves," said Moreau.

Strong individual performances dominated the play, including multiple slide tackles from Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14 and effective cooperation between Deyana Marsh '17 and Moreau. Sarah Humes '16 and Caroline Shipley '16 held the sides of the field. Shipley created two corner kick opportunities in the first half.

However, Andover's efforts were not enough, and Nobles scored on a fast break with five minutes left in the game. A notoriously strong team, Nobles held a record of 10-1-1 prior to its game against Andover and had only allowed three goals on the season.

"We knew that this was the Senior's last game on Graves field, so we wanted to win it for them and work our hardest. It was a tough game, and although the results didn't go in our favor, we worked hard and feel good about our performance," said Olivia LaMarche '16.

Team cooperation proved to be a recurring issue this week, as Andover Girls Soccer suffered a 6-0 loss to Deerfield on Saturday. Both teams controlled the ball equally initially, and Deerfield scored off a penalty kick to take the lead 1-0 with only minutes left in the half.

After the first goal, Andover lost momentum and Deerfield scored its second within the first minute in the second half. Andover struggled to play cohesively, and Deerfield continued to score until the final buzzer, bringing the final score to 6-0.

The team will focus on working together, communicating about marks, staying on the goal side and improving one-on-one defense over the next few days before its match on Friday.

"In the midfield, we worked on playing to feet and stepping higher when we won the ball," said LaMarche.

Andover hopes to improve its 6-7-1 record on Friday at 5:30 p.m. against Lawrence Academy.

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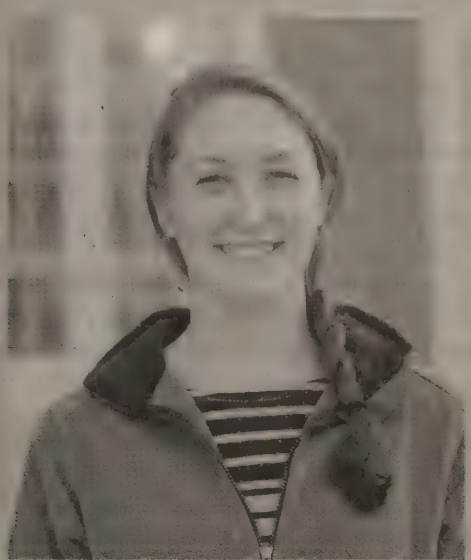
Athlete of the Week

Katie Kreider '14

A four-year Varsity player, Katie Kreider '14 has been a force in the center midfield this year for Andover Girls Soccer (6-7-1). Kreider's composure with the ball and her precise passing allow her to dominate the center of the field. While Kreider excels at setting her teammates up, her powerful shot has proven to be a lethal and effective weapon for the team. Kreider's efforts have earned her place as The Phillipian's *Athlete of the Week.*

When did you start playing soccer and why?

I started playing soccer when I was about five, mostly because everybody in town started playing then.



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What is the first thought that crosses your mind when you score a goal?

I usually wonder what just happened.

Do you have any special pre-game superstitions/rituals?

Diana Tchadi ['14] and I have a hand shake. Nothing special, literally just a hand shake, but we've been doing it since freshmen year.

What's your favorite way to celebrate a win?

Eating whatever I want.

Most memorable game/goal/practice/moment on the field?

The Choate game. The atmosphere of playing under the lights on Smoyer was awesome, and it was such a big win for us.

What's your spirit animal?

Savannah Mastrangelo ['15].

The best soccer players wear...

Onesies and snuggies, with the occasional bath robe.

What will you miss most about Andover Soccer?

The girls on the team, and being all together.

Coolest thing about having a brother in the NHL?

It's pretty surreal. To me he is still just the older brother that beats me up when he comes home.

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GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER

Led by Co-Captains Diana Tchadi '14 and Hannah Guzzi '14, Girls Soccer has had a rocky season. With a 7-7-2 record, the team has beaten extremely talented teams, but also lost to less competitive ones.

The highlights of the team's season were ruining the undefeated seasons of Choate, Governors and Pingree girls soccer.

With the season ending, the long-awaited Andover/Exeter matchup looms tomorrow.

"We are looking forward to killing Exeter and finishing the end of our season on a strong note. We want to prove ourselves to the school and make up for our rough start to the season," said Kinsey Yost '15.

Last year, Andover tied Exeter 1-1 in an exhilarating home game. Disappointed with the outcome, the girls are ready to seek revenge.

"I want to end the game knowing that every girl on the team tried their hardest and have no regrets about the way that they played," said Tchadi.

Katie Kreider '14, the team's starting center midfielder, said, "The five of us [Tchadi, Guzzi, Kreider, Aly Wayne '14 and Nekele McCall '14] have been playing for the team since our Freshmen year, and we are super pumped for our last Andover/Exeter game together."

"I'm looking forward to playing our last game with our Seniors who we have grown so close to, and winning the rivalry for them and the school. It'll be a really competitive game," said Alex Thomas '15.

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Caroline Shipley '16 sprints upfield with the ball.

J.SHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Deyana Marsh '17 kept Exeter's strikers at bay on defense.

Timely Goal Ties Score, Ending Season on A High Note

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	1

Receiving a long pass from Katie Kreider '14, Co-Captain Hannah Guzzi '14 fired a shot into the back of the net, knotting up the score of Andover Girls Soccer's (GVS) game against Phillips Exeter Academy 1-1 with eight minutes left on the clock.

Guzzi's score would be Andover's only goal in the team's final match of the season, which ended in 1-1 tie. With a 7-8-3 record for the season, Andover will not be advancing to the playoffs.

"By the end of the game, I couldn't have cared less about the score. I got really emotional thinking about the memories from the past four years that I've had at Andover and with GVS. In the end, it was more about the GVS family and less about beating Exeter," said Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14.

Exeter took the lead just 15 minutes into the game off a shot from the 18-yard line. Exeter maintained control of the ball and kept Andover on the defensive in the first half.

Andover's offense struggled as Exeter's defense limited Andover's midfielders from attacking through the center of the field. Knocked out of position, the midfielders were forced to go wide and play through the wings.

In the second half, Andover switched its field positioning to try for more scoring opportunities. The team converted its setup from having four defenders, four midfielders and two forwards in a 4-4-2 setup to three defenders, four midfielders and three forwards in a 3-4-3 setup. Kreider went from midfielder to forward and Jeanine Moreau '16 and Kinsey Yost '15 switched off playing as the defender in the midfield.

Led by Zoe Chazen '14 and Guzzi, Andover rallied back throughout the second half with aggressive offensive play. Following Guzzi's goal, Chazen took a shot that would have put Andover up by one with less than three minutes in the game. The shot, however, hit the crossbar.

"Guzzi had a phenomenal game. She created multiple scoring opportunities and was the playmaker on offense," said Savannah Mastrangelo '16. "She was pushing us forward with her high energy and helped the team to finish out the game strong. She left everything she had out on the field and we wouldn't have come close without her."

This was the second consecutive Andover/Exeter girls soccer game that has ended in a tie. Last year's Andover-Exeter game also ended with a score of 1-1.

Despite failing to make the playoffs and ending the season with a losing record, the team found a highlight in the Andover-Exeter game as it bid its Seniors adieu.

"It was an incredible game to play in, as always," said Kreider. "No matter what record we had or Exeter had going into the game, it's always competitive and a great matchup. I'm happy we were able to come from behind and tie the game. It was a good way to finish my last GVS season."

11/15/13

Sport: Girls Varsity Volleyball

Year: 2013

Captains: Alexandria Becker, Kathryn Wincek

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith

Assistant Coach: Vic Svec

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Anderson, Thayer
Bauman, Tiffany
Becker, Alexandria
Bell, Annette
Federman, Rebecca
Hildenbrand, Veronica
Krabek, Katherine
Livingston, Eden
Mesler, Evelyn
Park, Ji Tae
Reichenbach, Amanda
Shin, Erica
Taylor, Isabel
Wincek, Kathryn
Yun, Susan

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2013 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
2	Livingston, Eden	2015	Houston, TX
3	Hildenbrand, Veronica	2014	Castroville, TX
4	Becker, Alexandria*	2015	James Island, SC
5	Krabek, Katherine	2014	Beijing, CHN
8	Federman, Rebecca	2014	Tenafly, NJ
9	Yun, Susan	2017	New York, NY
10	Mesler, Evelyn	2017	Andover, MA
11	Shin, Erica	2016	Pasadena, CA
12	Bauman, Tiffany	2016	Houston, TX
18	Reichenbach, Amanda	2014	Wilmette, IL
21	Bell, Annette	2016	Houston, TX
22	Wincek, Kathryn*	2014	Omaha, NE
26	Taylor, Isabel	2015	New York, NY

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Schedule and Record

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9/13 @ 3:15 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Scrimmage	
9/14 @ 10:00 AM	Taft		Game	W PA 3 - Taft 1
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9/21 @ 4:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	L 2-3
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10/5 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	H	Game	L 2-3
10/7 @ 3:45 PM	Andover HS	H	Scrimmage	
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10/26 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 3-2
10/30 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	L 2-3
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Highlights

Taft

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/14/2013 6:00 AM		Game		PA 3 - Taft 1

First Win of Season

For the second pre-arranged east vs west match Taft hosted Andover. Andover stormed to a 5-1, 12-4 lead at which point Taft made mini come-backs, tying the set at 18 and then again at 22. Andover regained composure to take the first set 25-22.
In the second set, with some minor line-up changes, Andover took the first point on a side-out but then Taft took control of the entire set and held Andover to five service points total. Taft 25-15, tied it up at 1-1.
The third set proved to be the story of the day (for Andover). Taft, playing with more confidence, attacking the ball harder and chasing down shanked balls with more success, took a 6-1, 18-7 lead at which point Andover sided-out and rallied to give Becca Federman 4 service points. Several side-outs later Taft took a commanding 24-18 lead, at which point, Andover started an aggressive hitting campaign and Nette Bell served 6 straight to tie the set at 24. Seven side-outs later, Andover on it's fourth set-point was able to close out the 29-27 set for a 2-1 lead.
On that high, Andover took a 9-1 lead into the fourth set, and although Taft brought this back to with two points at 9-11, Andover never lost the lead though neither team scored more than one service point thereafter. Andover succeeded winning 25-19 to close out their first win for the season at 3-1.
Andover's stat highlights vs. Taft:
Alex Becker: 10 kills, hitting 39 for 46, receiving 40 of 44
Kate Wincek: 9 kills hitting 28 of 30
Nette Bell: 22 assists, 3 aces, serving 19 of 20
Isabel Taylor: 5 kills, hitting 12 of 15, 2 aces, serving 8 of 10, 2 stuffs, blocking 7 of 12
Mandy Reichenbach: 3 kills, hitting 8 of 11; 3 stuffs, blocking 3 of 4
Becca Federman: 5 kills, hitting 15 of 16; 3 aces, serving 5 of 5
Erica Shin: receiving 44 of 52

Hotchkiss

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/14/2013 9:15 AM		Game	Taft	PA 1 - Hotchkiss 3

PA 1 - HOT 3

Andover 1 - Hotchkiss 3 (25-15,22-25,20-25,14-25)
[on adjacent court Exeter 3 - Taft 2]
Andover 3 - Taft 1 (25-23,15-25,29-27,25-19)
[on adjacent court Exeter 3 - Hotchkiss 1]
Andover opened its season with a with a strong rotation in the first set. The set started with Hotchkiss tying up the score 3 times, the last at 8-8, but then siding out to Andover, which then led the whole way. Andover's highlight of the set was Nette Bell serving 10 straight service points to give Andover a commanding 21-9 lead which resulted in a 25-14 1-0 start for Andover. As is typical for Andover vs. Hotchkiss, the turn-around was expected and in this case pivotal. Hotchkiss, which had many confusion errors on court during the first set, communicated better and created a smoother offense. Hotchkiss led the whole set and Andover always came from behind tying the set at 2, at 8, at 11 and at 12. Andover did not adjust for Hotchkiss's faster offense and developed communication

errors of their own on defense resulting in a 22-25 loss, 1-1 tie going into the third set. Alex Becker score four service points, Isabel Taylor and Nette Bell each scored three service points for Andover.
The third set started poorly for Andover, going down 0-6, but tying it up at 8 on Isabel Taylor's and Tiffany Bauman's 3 and 2 service points. Hotchkiss scored next but Andover came back to tie it at 10 and went ahead 12-10. Hotchkiss tied it up but Andover held them to just two consecutive points, again pulling ahead 14-12. This repeated itself a couple of times Andover holding a slight edge at 18-17; however, Hotchkiss' captain #13 found a groove and served Hotchkiss into the lead at 21-18. Andover managed three more side-outs, but Hotchkiss prevailed for a 25-20 2-1 lead. In the fourth set Hotchkiss commanded the whole set and held Andover to a meager four service points taking a deserved win for an opening match that exhibited a mix of beautiful offensive/defensive plays with awkward communication and skill errors. Congratulations to Hotchkiss and we hope we will see them again in post season.
Statistics highlights for Andover vs. Hotchkiss:
Nette Bell 14 assists, 5 aces serving 16 of 18
Alex Becker 9 kills, hitting 33 of 38, serving 12 of 12
Isabel Taylor 5 kills hitting 12 of 15, serving 9 of 14, blocking 3 of 3
Kate Wincek digging 17 of 21
Erica Shin serve-receiving 27 of 29

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/21/2013 12:00 PM	H	Game	Memorial Gym, Andover	2-3

PA 2 - Loomis 3 (12-25, 23-25, 12-25, 24-26, 6-15)

Loomis came out of the starting gate with an energy that Andover could barely catch up to today. Loomis held Andover to 3 service points in the first and took the first set 25-12.
The second set proved more an even match managed to tie it up at 3-3, going down 6-11, tying it up at 16-16 on Nette Bell's serve, but just as quickly going down 16-18 again. Becca Federman stepped to the service line and gave Andover a lead of 22-18. Although Loomis tied it at 23-23, Andover held on for a 25-23 to tie the match at 1-1.
It felt as if Andover found its groove, but always catching up to Loomis. The match toed at 8, Loomis again takes three points for an 11-8 lead. Andover ties it at 11-11, and at 12-12, but at this point Loomis goes on a FANTASTIC 12-service point run with their #12 serving for a commanding 25-12, and 2-1 win. Andover came back to life in the 4th set, making Loomis catch. The set tied at 2, at 4, at 6, at 7, 8, 9,10, 11,12,13,14. Loomis went ahead 15-14, but Andover rebounds for a 16-15 advantage. Tied at 17, Loomis goes ahead 19-17, at which point Andover's Mandy Reichenbach earned 4 service points for a 22-19 lead. Andover has set point at 24-21 but Loomis ties it up at 24-24. Andover manages to hold back Loomis to tie the match at 2-2 with a side out and a service point for 26-24.
Into the fifth set, Loomis makes good plays and Andover overcompensates on too many plays hitting the ball long or wide trying for the holes. Loomis went into the side-change at 8-3 and extended that to a 15-6 win.
Andover's record 1-2, traveling to Saint Paul's this coming Wednesday.
Today's stats:
Kate Wincek 8 kills, hitting 31 of 39, serving 10 of 10
Mandy Reichenbach 7 kills, hitting 15 of 19, 1 ace serving 13 of 14
Eden Livingston 4 kills, hitting 21 of 22
Nette Bell 20 assists, 2 aces serving 13 of 15
Erica Shin receiving 48 of 57
Thank you to our parents and fans, the managers and players who help keep statistics.

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/25/2013 11:30 AM		Game	Saint Paul's	3-1

PA 3 - SPS 1 (25-12, 25-23, 22-25, 25-19)

Andover came out on fire - right away Andover went up 7-0 on the serve of Tiffany Bauman (11 service points this set alone) and at one point led by as many as 13 points. The second set was more under control of SPS, until the end. SPS took a 7-2 lead, when Andover got a side-out and Mandy Reichenbach served 3 straight points. After SPS took an 8-6 lead, Andover wrestled the ball back and Becca Federman served three straight for a 10-8 Andover lead. SPS countered, but Andover tied it at 14, at 15, at 18. Andover pulled ahead, again on Becca Federman's serve, to a 21-19 advantage, but SPS tied it up and took a 23-21 lead. Andover supported Mandy at serving the set out for a 25-23 win. The third set started much the same way, a close see-saw of a battle, tied at 2, at 7, at 11, at 12, but thereafter SPS had at minimum a one point and maximum of a 4-point lead to send the match to a 4th set. SPS carried their energy of a win over to the 4th set and took an immediate 5-2 lead. Andover battled back on Tiffany Bauman's serve for a 12-10 lead, and although SPS brought it back to 16-15, Andover's Becca Federman served 4 more service points for a 21-15 advantage, and ultimately a 25-19, 3-1 win.
Today's player of the match goes to Tiffany Bauman who played the best defense yet, and did a great job distributing the ball as the team's only setter today.
Andover prepares to play NMH at Northfield on Saturday.
Andover's stats today:
Tiffany Bauman: 16 assists, 3 aces serving 22 of 23 (Happy Birthday Tiffany)
Alex Becker: 5 kills, hitting 36 of 43
Kate Wincek: 3 kills, hitting 24 of 26, serving 11 of 14
Mandy Reichenbach: 3 kills, hitting 7 of 11, 1 ace, serving 7 of 8; 2 stuffs, blocking 5 of 5
Isabel Taylor: 2 kills, hitting 17 of 20, 4 aces, serving 14 of 17; 1 stuff, blocking 5 of 6.
Erica Shin: digging 48 of 51

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 12:15 PM		Game	Forslund gym, NMH	3-1

Andover 3 -NMH 1 (18-25, 25-17, 25-10, 27-25)

NMH came out of the starting blocks with such ferocious hits and complete defensive coverage that Andover could not get any rhythm going. It took a fluke side-out at 11-1 and 4 service points by Isabel Taylor to get Andover into the match, to 5-11. NMH at one point widened the lead back up to 9 points at 24-15. Andover managed two more side outs but lost the first set decisively to an NMH team that played the best set I have seen a team play in my coaching career - on fire, good distribution, remarkable patience in defensive coverage and great hustle saving balls.
In the second set Andover switched from a 6-2 to a 5-1, if only for a reason to change something up. It helped Andover at minimum to draw even with NMH. While NMH did not score two consecutive service points in the entire set, it took Andover until 16-17 to earn a side-out and have Kate Wincek serve out the set at 25-16, but unfortunately at the expense of NMH losing their setter Erin #10 for the duration of the match.
The third set lasted only 7 rotations, Andover held NMH to 4 total service points, and strung 8 consecutive service points by Nette Bell and 5 by Becca Federman for a 25-10, and 2-1 lead.
Going into the 4th set Andover led by as much as 8-3, and 16-8 but then imploded to let NMH back in to the set at 17-17; during that run Andover's Becca Federman injured her ankle and Eden Livingston subbed in and helped settle the team down. NMH went ahead 19-18, and 24-21 at which point Mandy Reichenbach stepped to the service

line with ice in her veins, served 3 lasers at NMH to give Andover the first match point. It took another side-out and Nette Bell's short serve to settle the match at 3-1 in Andover's favor.
Wow. What a roller coaster!
Andover has a week off before hosting Choate next Saturday, either to finish healing or adjust a new line-up. Thanks to the parents who brought snacks and their support.
Andover's stats today:
Nette Bell: 3kills, 11 for 11 on attack, 24 assists, 5 aces, serving 18 for 21.
Alex Becker: 8 kills hitting 30 for 35
Kate Wincek serving 19 of 21
Isabel Taylor 5 stuffs, blocking 9 of 10
Mandy Reichenbach:5 kills, hitting10 of 11; 1 ace, serving 11 of 13
Becca Federman 6 kills, hitting 9 of 11; 2 aces serving 8 of 9
Erica Shin digging 36 of 43

Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 12:45 PM	H	Game	Memorial Gym, Andover	2-3

PA 2 - CHO 3 (17-25, 25-22, 17-25, 25-23, 13-15)

The first set belonged to Choate the entire way. Choate broke it open at 13-7 and then never looked back.
The second set was a see-saw in comparison. While Andover scored the first two points, Choate roared back with five of their own. Andover, after 4 more rotations managed to side-out a 7-8 deficit and earn a service point to take the lead at 9-8. Now it was take one-lose one for the next three rotations. At 11-11, Andover finally managed to earn one or two service points after each side-out and bolstered their lead to 21-17. Yet Choate fought back to 21-20, Andover takes the second set 25-22 to even the match at 1-1.
The third set, although initially in Andover's favor went to Choate when they turned a 4-5 deficit to a 12-7, 17-8, 21-13 advantage. A minor come-back by Andover late in the set was not enough to lose the set 17-25 and go down 1-2, but it did give some momentum to start the 4th set.
The fourth set went back and forth: Andover goes ahead, Choate catches up and ties it at 4, at 6, at 7, at 8, at 9. It seemed no side was going to let the other go until Andover finally managed some service points to get ahead 13-9, 18-10. True to form Choate roars back to within one at 18-19. Choate defended three of Andover's set-points, but Andover earned its spot in a deciding set on the fourth set-point for a 25-23, 2-2.
The fifth set started off strong for Choate who befuddled Andover with three quick serves, going up 3-0. Andover earns two-side-outs and evens the score at 4-4. Andover gets momentum back and earns a 7-6 advantage. Choate however, fights back and takes an 8-7 lead into side-switch. While Andover interrupts Choate's momentum to re-tie the match at 8 apiece, Choate grabs a side-out and rips four points onto board for what seems an insurmountable lead of 13-8. Mandy Reichenbach steps to the service line and brings Andover even to 13-13 for incredibly nerve-racking points. Choate manages a side-out and gets the ball to their middle hitter #22 for two final points that seals their win.
Many many thanks to the fans that helped energize, to the managers for scoring, to the bench players who helped keep stats, and to the parents who ALWAYS find a way to inspire the team from the sidelines.
Today's stats leaders are:
Alex Becker 16 kills hitting 49 of 56, 1 ace serving 7 for 7
Kate Wincek 7 kills, hitting 31 for 33, 2 aces serving 17 for 17
Isabel Taylor 9 kills hitting 26 for 30, 1 ace serving 10 for 13 and
Nette Bell, 31 assists, 1 ace serving 14 for 15
Mandy Reichenbach 1 ace serving 16 for 17
Eden Livingston 3 kills hitting15 for 17, serving 10 for 10
Erica Shin digging 65 of 89
Andover (3-3) hosts a scrimmage on Monday against town rival Andover High, then travels to BB&N on Wednesday and Dana Hall on Saturday.

B. B. & N.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/9/2013 11:30 AM	[redacted]	Game	B.B.& N.	3-0

PA 3 – BB&N 0 (25-16,25-16, 25-19)

Andover came out strong in the first set, taking a substantial lead after a side-out on 5-5 on Alex Becker's 5 service points to 11-5. Though BB&N fought back to 14-16, Andover sided out and supporting Isabel Taylor's 5 consecutive service points and retook the lead at 22-14. Andover closed out the first set at 25-16.
In the second set Kate Wincek served Andover to a 6-0 lead, and although BB&N crept as close as 3 points to 14-17, Andover's Eden Livingston and Alex Becker served out the second set for a 25-16, 2-0 advantage.
In the third set BB&N caught Anodver's sluggish defense and took an 8-2, 14-6 lead. Alex Becker took the service line again and brought Andover to 12-14. Although BB&N went up 17-12, Andover's Mandy Reichenbach served 7 consecutive service points for an Andover lead of 20-17. Andover closed out the match at 25-19.
Today's stats leaders:
Nette Bell, 14 assists, 1 ace serving 7 for 8
Alex Becker 5 kills hitting 19 of 26, 5 aces serving 14 of 15
Isabel Taylor 5 kills, hitting 9 of 11, 4 aces serving 10 of 13, 1 stuff blocking 5 of 5
Mandy Reichenbach 3 kills hitting 7 of 9, 6 aces serving 10 of 10
Erica Shin digging 38 of 41.
Andover (4-3) prepares to travel to Wellesley this coming Saturday to play Dana Hall.

Dana Hall

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/12/2013 10:30 AM	[redacted]	Game	Dana Hall	3-1

PA 3 - Dana Hall 1 (25-13, 25-13, 14-25, 25-16)

Andover earned its first point on a side-out and then roared ahead to a 7-0 lead on Erica Shin's serve (who today played outside hitter, filling in for absences because of injuries and college visits). Although Dana Hall managed to get their feet under them they could not close that gap, and Andover took the first set 25-13.
The second set started off and finished almost identical, though Dana Hall started to get their confidence in aggressive hitting and digging up hard-hit balls better.
In the third set, Dana Hall's #5 continued her power hits and serves and managed to rattle off 7 unanswered service points which put Andover's new rotation into a spiral.
The best volleys of the day came in the fourth set, some good back-and-forth offense and defense. Andover managed a three point lead until 13-12, at which point Erica Shin and Isabel Taylor combined for 6 service points for a 21-13 lead. That determined the set and the match.
Next week will be a big week: at Central Catholic on Monday for a scrimmage, hosting Exeter on Wednesday for the first of two regular season matches, and hosting NMH for the second of two during Family Weekend.
Today's stats leaders:
Alex Becker: 8 kills, hitting 20 of 23
Erica Shin: 3 kills hitting 7 of 7; 6 aces serving 16 for 16
Nette Bell: 17 assists, 2 aces serving 10 for 10
Mandy Reichenbach 4 kille, 3 aces
Isabel Taylor 4 kills, 2 aces
Eden Livingston: 1 kill, 3 aces

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/16/2013 11:00 AM	H	Game	Memorial Gym, Andover	3-0

PA 3 - PEA 0 (25-22, 25-11, 25-22)

Exeter came out strong to start the first set; awarded a side-out and two quick service points on two aggressive attacks, they went up 3-0 right away. Andover eventually managed to tie it up at 7, and get a go-ahead point at 8-7. Exeter tied it at 8, Andover went ahead 11-8 on two of Mandy Reichenbach's laser serves. Exeter sided-out a couple of times and went ahead 14-13. The game was tied at 14, at 15, at 16, at 17, at 18, at 19 and Exeter went ahead 20-19. Andover sided-out to tie it yet again at 20, and then supported Kate Wincek on her two service points for a 22-20 lead. Exeter sided out , but Andover countered immediately and Erica Shin served Andover to match point 24-21. Exeter sided-out but lost that rally so Andover took a tight first set 1-0.
The second set saw Andover go ahead 9-1 on Kate Wincek's 7 service points, and 14-4 on Erica Shin's 3 service points. For the entire second set Andover held Exeter to 4 service points, and the set concluded after only 8 rotations in Andover's favor 25-11.
In the third set Andover came out flat-footed and Exeter served itself into a 5-0 lead. Although Andover reduced that lead to one point at 6-7, it was not until Mandy Reichenbach served three of her trade-mark serves that Andover got its first lead at 11-10. Exeter roared back to a 16-13 lead, and Andover fought back on Kate WIncek's serve to a 16-16 tie when Andover had to call a medical time-out and substitution for Kate Wincek who turns out was stung 6 times on her back underneath her shirt. Susan Young substituted and battled her own nerves for three successful serves (1 ace) and 4 defensive ups back row - way to go Susan. Exeter fought back to a 20-19 advantage. Kate Wincek, cleared by the trainer, returned to the court and Andover managed a 23-21 come-back on Erica Shin's 3 service points. Andover held off Exeter's efforts and closed out the set and match at 25-22.
Congratulations to the following Andover players for their stats:
Nette Bell 24 assists, 3 kills, 1 ace serving 8 for 8
Alex Becker 8 kills hitting 26 of 29
Kate Wincek 5 kills hitting 13 of 18, 2 aces serving 13 of 15.
Isabel Taylor 3 blocks
Mandy Reichenbach 1 ace serving 7 of 8
Eden Livingston 2 kills, hitting 8 of 9, serving 5 of 6
Erica Shin 2 kills hitting 5 of 6, serving 9 of 9, digging 43 of 48
Andover prepares to host NMH this coming Saturday for Family weekend. Thanks to all the fans for their (quiet) support, to the managers for their efforts to keep book, score and video, to the bench for helping keep stats AND being ready at a moment's notice to take the floor, to our trainers who take care of us so well.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 10:00 AM	H	Game	Memorial Gym, Andover	1-3

PA 1 - NMH 3 (22-25, 22-25, 25-16, 22-25)

Andover started strong taking the lead 5-2, but struggled receiving NMH's Erica Freed service. NMH went up 6-5. The set tied at 7, Andover pulled ahead to 11-7, 13-10, 16-11, 17-12, 19-16, 20-18. All the while Alex Becker (Happy Birthday) played middle hitter and Erica Shin played outside hitter for the 6th different rotation this season. NMH tied it up at 20-20, and although Andover took the next point, NMH went ahead 22-21. Andover tied it again at 22-22, but NMH sided-out and earned two service points for a 25-22, 1-0 lead.
In the second set the roles were reversed and NMH took an early lead, 5-2, 8-5, 11-7, 15-11, but Andover inched its way back to 14-16, 19-21, even bringing the score to within one point at 21-22. Kate Wincek, outside hitter, made

strong net plays - tough hits through the block as well as blocking their shots. NMH earned a side-out at 23-22 and took the second set with same score 25-22.
In the third set Andover took an early lead of 5-2. NMH fought back for a 9-8 lead. With Andover's fifth rotation Mandy Reichenbach (also middle hitter, also Happy Birthday) stepped to service line and powered 5 consecutive serves at NMH for a 14-10 lead. Eden Livingston (opposite) followed suit with 4 of her own to give Andover a 19-10 advantage. Nette Bell dropped 3 killer dinks and earned Andover four more side-outs, forcing a 4th set winning 25-16 on hard aggressive offense.
The fourth set's highlights were some of the best rallies of the day, and some of the strangest dropped balls by both sides. Andover went ahead 8-4, 9-6 but NMH stormed back to a 13-9 lead. NMH kept its momentum to 18-11, and 22-16, but Andover made a final come-back to 20-22. Final score 25-22 for NMH.
Andover wishes Erica Freed well; she made many spectacular saves/dives and hurt herself in the process. We hope to see Erica and NMH again in the tournament.
Thanks to the crowd and the many parents who attended and cheered us on. Andover (6-4) prepares for traveling to Milton next Wednesday, and to Deerfield next Saturday.
Andover's stats today:
Nette Bell 35 assists, 4 kills hitting 16 of 20, 1 ace serving 13 of 15
Alex Becker 11 kills, hitting 41 of 46, 2 aces serving 11 of 13, 1 stuff blocking 5 for 5, digging 26 of 29
Kate Wincek 9 kills hitting 33 of 43, 1 ace serving 10 of 10, digging 18 of 25
Mandy Reichenbach 2 kills hitting 14 of 22, 2 aces serving 12 of 14, digging 23 of 30
Eden Livingston 2 kills hitting 14 of 15, serving 11 of 13, 2 stuffs blocking 2 of 3, digging 22 of 31
Erica Shin 7 kills hitting 22 of 23, digging 37 of 40
Katherine Krabek 9 digs of 14

Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/23/2013 11:30 AM	[illegible]	Game	Milton	3-0

PA 3 - Milton 0 (25-15, 25-15, 25-23)

Andover's Nette served 3 aces to start the match; Andover took a lead of 4-0 but Milton fought their way back to 8-7, 12-9, 13-11 leads, but then Nette Bell and Kate Wincek combined for 5 and 6 successive service, respectively. Andover closed out the set 25-15.
In the second set Kate served Andover ahead 4-1. Milton came back to within one at 8-9, but then Kate Wincek and Mandy Reichenbach combined for 3 and 7 consecutive service points respectively for a 23-11 lead. Eden Livingston served out the set, 25-15.
In the third set Andover had a comfortable rhythm going, leading by as much as 10-6, 12-9, but Milton found its own and swung the set around to a 17-16 advantage. After Andover's time-out, Andover scored a side-out and Eden Livingston served Andover ahead 21-17. Another side-out and Erica serving put Andover ahead 24-18. Milton staged a comeback where Andover pummeled four consecutive back-row hits into the net or Milton's block that brought Milton within 24-22. Another time-out and a side-out; Andover earns a win 3-0.
Andover prepares to travel to Deerfield on Saturday.
Today's stats:
Nette Bell; 20 assists, 2 kills hitting 11 for 11; 3 aces serving 15 for 15; 1 stuff, blocking 2 for 2
Alex Becker: 5 kills hitting 22 of 25; 1 stuff blocking 7 for 7; digging 27 of 29
Kate Wincek: 5 kills hitting 17 of 21; 3 aces serving 15 of 16; digging 15 of 15
Mandy Reichenbach: serving 12 of 13; 1 stuff blocking 3 of 3; digging 12 of 14
Eden Livingston: 3 kills hitting 8 for 10; serving 5 of 6; 1 stuff blocking 3 of 4; digging 15 of 19
Erica Shin: 5 kills hitting 18 of 21; serving 6 of 6; digging 11 of 14
Katherine Krabek: digging 20 of 26
Thanks to the managers and the bench for helping with the book, taping, and stats.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:30 AM		Game	Deerfield	3-2

PA 3 -DEE 2 (25-22,25-23,25-27,20-25,15-10)

Andover came out strong in the first set 6-2, 11-6, 13-8, but Deerfield rallied to tie it at 14. A combination of stopping Deerfield's attack and returning every ball put Andover back in top at 23-18. Deerfield made a come-back to 24-22 and Andover sided-out for a 25-22 win.
In the second set Deerfield roared ahead 4-0. Andover inched back to tie it at 7 and again at 9. Andover sided out and Nette Bell served Andover into the lead 12-9. Deerfield tied it at 12-12, but Andover's Kate Wincek served them ahead to 15-12. Repeat, Deerfield tied it up at 15 and Andover's Erica Shin served Andover ahead 18-15. This time Andover held Deerfield back and got a 24-19 lead. Again Deerfield made a come-back, but Andover sided out for a 25-23 win.
Andover got its first two points easily, but then Deerfield found a groove to go ahead 8-4. While Andover brought it to 7-8, Deerfield went ahead 10-7. Andover pulled even at 10, and again at 13, when finally on Kate Wincek's serve Andover found its second lead of the set at 15-13. While Deerfield tied it at 16-16, Andover's Eden Livingston served Andover ahead to 18-16. With a two-point lead Andover survived three more rotations until Deerfield tied the set at 22. At this point Andover's Alex Becker came down on a foot at the net and Susan Yun subbed I at outside hitter. Although PA saw 3 match points Deerfield hung tough on a strategically called time-out. Deerfield forced a fourth game winning 27-25.
Andover rearranged its line-up, making Erica Shin play outside again and had Katherine Krabek play libero. Going ahead 3-0 Andover looked comfortable, but then let Deerfield's #11 serve 7 straight. Finally Andover tied it at 14-14, but the Deerfield found confidence and forced a fifth set, 25-20.
Andover took a quick 4-1 lead, and led 8-4 at the switching of sides. Deerfield found its rhythm to tie the march at 2 sets apiece and 9-9 in the fifth. It would become a match decided in the last 6 points. Andover's Mandy Reichenbach delivered three of her laser serves to give Andover a comfortable lead at 13-9. Deerfield forced a side-out but Andover broke right back and Kate Wincek served the last ball of the match, seeing Andover gain the win over a strong squad from Deerfield who played a strong game defensively, especially in the middle at the net, and found ways to make come-backs.
Andover (8-4) looks to host Saint Paul's (12-3) on Wednesday. On Sunday, Andover will host the A-league All Star tournament.
Stats for the day:
Nette Bell: 37 assists. 1ace, serving 12 of 16
Alex Becker 8 kills, hitting 23 of 26, 2 aces serving 6 of 8,
Kate Wincek 10 kills hitting 27 of 31, 2aces serving 18 of 20.
Isabel Taylor 8 kills hitting 21 of 26, 1ace serving 6 of 9, 3 stuffs blocking 4 of 5
Mandy Reichenbach 3 kills hitting 11 of 11, serving 10 of 12
Eden Livingston 1kill hitting 10 of 12, 2 aces serving 12 of 13
Erica Shin 1 kill hitting 10 of 12, 1ace serving 9 of 9, receiving 50 of 55
Katherine Krabek receiving 5 of 8
Susan Yun hitting 1 for 1, receiving 4 for 4

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/30/2013 11:00 AM	H	Game	Memorial Gym, Andover	2-3

PA 2 - SPS 3 (23-25, 25-19, 25-17, 13-25, 4-15)

In the first set Andover controlled the set until SPS got to 12-9. Andover tied it up at 17, SPS went ahead 19-17, but Andover pulled even and went ahead 21-19. SPS pulled even at 21, Andover went ahead 23-21, but SPS sided out and won the set 25-23.
The second set, although SPS went ahead 3-2, Andover countered to 7-3. The set was tied at 8, and Andover went ahead by as many as 5 points at 13-8 and 15-10, but SPS tied it at 16 and 17. On Eden Livingston's and Erica Shin's serve Andover went ahead for good and tied the match at 25-19, 1-1.
Andover had the momentum on its side went ahead 7-2, and although SPS came within 2 at 7-5, it was all Andover after that, mostly on Mandy Reichenbach's, Isabel Taylor's, and Eden Livingston's serve who combined for 11 service points.
The tide turned in SPS's favor. Tied at 3 in the fourth, SPS pulls ahead 4-3, but Andover counters to 6-4, but SPS gets the upper hand at 10-6 and that's when Andover's offense stopped all together for the day, and SPS's confidence grew with every play. SPS ties the match 25-13 at 2-2, and takes the deciding 5th set 15-4.
Andover has 10 days off for whatever healing can be done before the end of the season - preparing to play Exeter at their house for A/E. There is hope that Veronica Hildenbrand will make her first game, that Becca Federman will return from her ankle injury, and that Alex Becker's injury will allow her to play in the front row again; today she swapped roles with Erica Shin (OH to Libero). Andover (8-5) is looking good at being above .500 and being in the top 8 to make the tournament, and has a good chance to host for the quarterfinal on Nov. 13
Today's stats are:
Kate Wincek: 10 kills hitting 43 of 48; 1 aces serving 8 of 10, receiving 22 of 23
Nette Bell : 25 assists, 1 kill hitting 12 of 16; serving 11 of 14
Isabel Taylor: 7 kills hitting 23 of 28; 4 aces serving 8 of 9; 2 stuffs blocking 2 for 4
Mandy Reichenbach: 3 kills Fitting 17 of 20; 3 aces serving 13 of 17; blocking 1 for 1
Eden Livingston hitting 10 of 14; 2 aces serving 16 of 20; 1 stuff blocking 2 for 2
Erica Shin 4 kills hitting 19 of 21; 1 ace serving 11 for 11; 1 stuff blocking 2 of 3
Alex Becker hitting 16 of 20; digging 51 of 58

All Star

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/3/2013 6:30 PM	H	Tournament	Memoial Gym, Andover	NA

All Star tournament NEPSAC Volleyball Large Schools

By coaches votes the following All Stars received special recognition:
MVP: Alie Rusher from SPS
Boston-Globe All Stars of large School NEPSAC Volleyball 2013:
Alex Becker '15, Phillips Andover
Nette Bell '16 Phillips Andover
Ami Coulibaly '14, Choate Rosemary Hall
Greer Davis '15, Loomis-Chaffee
Brooke Detwiler '15 Phillips Exeter
Erica Freed '14, Northfield Mount Hermon
Taylor Jean-Jacques '16 Phillips Exeter
Elizabeth King '14, Choate Rosemary Hall
Erin Moore '14, Northfield Mount Hermon
Alie Rusher '14 Saint Paul's
Brighton Troha "14, Saint Paul's
Kate Wincek '14, Phillips Andover
Alison Yeh '15, Loomis-Chaffee

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 6:00 AM		Game		1-3

Tough Loss for GVV

(A shout-out to Boys Waterpolo (our sister/brother team) who won the championships in the final against Exeter.)

Andover 1 - Exeter 3 (25-27, 21-25, 25-14, 21-25)
Congratulations to Exeter's squad whose defense and offense prevailed when it counted most. Andover played well but not as well as Exeter today. In the first set Exeter pulled ahead 5-2, Andover tied it and went up 6-5. And so it went back and forth, tied up for 10 more times to 16-16. Andover got a comfortable lead at 19-16, 21-19 and saw its first set point at 24-23. Exeter tied it put Andover got another set-point at 25-24. Exeter managed a side-out and two service points to take the first set 27-25.
The second set was much a mirror to the first, tied up 12 times by the time the score was 13-13. Although Exeter would get a rare three-point lead at 16-13 Andover came back to tie it at 17-17. At this point Exeter pulled ahead to 22-15 and carried that to the end for a 25-21 and 2-0 lead.
In the third set Exeter saw a lead at 3-2 but thereafter Andover had control. At 8-7 Andover's Nette Bell stepped to the service line and rattled off 8 unanswered service points for a 17-8 lead. That was enough for a 25-14 Andover win and send it to a fourth set.
The fourth set seemed to go in favor of Andover until 11-10, at which point the 1,2,3-point margins switched to Exeter's favor. Tied again at 19-19, Exeter took the lead at 23-19. A side-out later and match point on the line the set and match went to Exeter.
A well-played back-and-forth match. Thanks to the many, many fans who travelled north, the alumni and parents who came to support us. Both Andover and Exeter are in the post-season tournament and will now find out late Sunday the pairing and locations of the quarterfinals.
Todays stats:
Nette Bell 29 assists, 2 kills hitting 11 for 11, 2 aces serving 18 of 18
Alex Becker 11 kills hitting 41 of 46, 9 serves of 10, digging 39 of 46
Kate Wincek 9 kills hitting 34 of 38, serving 12 of 13, 1 stuff blocking 2 of 3, digging 35 of 44
Isabel Taylor 2 kills hitting 10 of 13, serving 2 of 3, 2 stuffs blocking 3 of 3
Mandy Reichenbach 1 kill hitting 7 for 7, 4 aces serving 16 of 18, blocking 3 of 6
Eden Livingston 3 kills hitting 16 of 18, 4 aces serving 14 of 14, 1 stuff blocking 3 of 6
Erica Shin 1 kill hitting 10 of 11, digging 34 of 43

Phillips Exeter Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/13/2013 10:30 AM		Tournament	PEA	0-3

Phillips Andover 0 - Phillips Exeter 3 (23-25, 24-26, 28-30)

Wow, what a way to finish a season. Congratulations to Exeter for scoring the points when they counted the most. Andover played well and saw its fair share of leads, but the season draws to a close on three 2-point loss sets. Andover wraps up the season at 8-7. We will miss the seniors next year: Kate Wincek (co-captain) who had a team high 8 kills today; Mandy Reichenbach who was not sure she wanted to join varsity three years ago and turned out a starting middle hitter; Becca Federman who unfortunately missed half the sea on with an ankle injury at the first NMH game; Veronica Hildenbrand who FINALLY was able to join the team practices this week recovering from a concussion the day after cuts were made in September, and she contributed beautifully today; Katherine Krabek, our back-up libero who's spirits and dedication helped drive the team to new heights.

In set one Andover pulled ahead 3-0, 7-3, 9-5, 10-7 when Exeter's #16 served them ahead to 12-10. Thereafter the lead changed 3 more times Andover going up 20-19, but Exeter's #16 again served her rotation into the lead 23-20. Although Andover managed a come-back to tie it at 23-23, Exeter closed out the first set 25-23.
In set two, Exeter had the advantages at first 5-2,6-5, 7-5, 8-6, 9-7. Andover finally tied the set at 9-9, and although Exeter went ahead again 10-9, Andover got its first lead of the set at 11-10. Short-lived as Exeter goes ahead 12-11, but Andover pulls even and ahead at 14-12. Exeter tied it at 14-14. Andover gets a point ahead on a side-out to 15-14, but Exeter pulls away to 18-15. Andover counters 19-18, Exeter counters that 20-19. Andover 21-20, 21-22, 23-22, 23-24. Tied at 24-24 Exeter pulls ahead for a 2-0 lead 26-24.
The third set proved to be as much of a battle as the first two. The set was tied four times by the time Andover had a point advantage at 12-11, pulled ahead to 14-11, 17-12, 21-18. The set was tied at 23-23, Andover saw its first set point serving at 24-23. Lost that one and regained the side-out for a second set point at 25-24. Exeter countered and saw its first match point at 26-25, but Andover wrestled that one away from them to go ahead 27-26 for its third set point. Exeter side-out, but then so did Andover for Andover's fourth set point at 28-27. Exeter wrestled that away from Andover and went ahead 30-28.
A well-played match all around, and kudos to both teams for such a fine demonstration of fire and determination. As the season draws to a close I would be remiss not to thank Assistant Coach Svec for his time end energy, that booming voice "Ladies, get the first ball over" to our three managers Thayer, Ji Tae and Alex, and the whole team for making afternoons such a great adventure day-in day-out these past 10 weeks. Thanks to Kenny, Jerome, Jose for providing us our safe space and always helping whenever needed. Thanks to the training room and Isham Health Center for keeping us afloat this season. Thanks to the entire athletic office for their tireless efforts of scheduling, organizing referees and transportation, and athletic equipment.
A big shout-out to the parents who have ALWAYS brought a smile to the team's faces as they made their surprise entrances to the gym and matches.
Today's team stats:
Kate Wincek 8 kills hitting 23 of 28, serving 7 of 9, digging 13 of 15
Alex Becker 2 kills hitting 24 of 33, 1 ace serving 9 of 10, digging 27 of 33
Nette Bell 17 assists, 2 kills hitting 16 of 19, 1 ace serving 17 of 17
Isabel Taylor 3 kills hitting 12 of 17, 2 stuffs blocking 6 of 8
Mandy Reichenbach hitting 4 of 7, serving 12 of 13
Eden Livingston 1 kill hitting 8 of 9, 1 ace serving 10 of 13, 1 stuff blocking 4 of 5
Veronica Hildenbrand 1 kill hitting 3 of 3, digging 11 of 12
Erica Shin hitting 4 of 6, digging 33 of 40

VOLLEYBALL

Andover Motivated by Last Year's Semifinal Exit

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Boasting four consecutive undefeated seasons, Andover Girls Volleyball looks to maintain its upward momentum and avenge a heartbreaking semifinal loss at the New England Championships last year.

"[Last year] we had no apparent weaknesses," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith. "[We] were strong and experienced at every position."

Despite dominating the regular season and finishing with a 15-0 record, hopes for a third consecutive New England title were dashed in a close 2-3 loss against Choate. However, the team remains optimistic that it has the means to step up to the challenge this year.

"This season, as always, our ultimate goal is to bring home a championship with a perfect season," said Co-Captain Alex Becker '15. "But we also want to grow as a team and make sure that everyone improves as a player."

To fill the shoes of six key players that graduated, Andover has a core group of eight returning varsity players, led by seasoned outside hitters Becker and Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14.

"Veronica Hildenbrand ['14] returns as a player who can fill in at any position," said Beckwith. "Isabel Taylor ['15] and Mandy Reichenbach ['14] will fill in for our two graduated middle blockers, and have shown much promise in pre-season."

Other returners include Rebecca Federman '14 at opposite, Annette Belle '16 as starting setter and Erica Shin '16 anchoring the team's defense at libero. In addition, five promising newcomers have already showed talent on the team and will be essential in propelling the team forward.

"Our returning players are stepping up into their starting roles and are prepared to make a big impact on the court," said Wincek. "We have some young talent joining our team who are bringing great energy, attitude and skill."

Newcomers to the team include Katherine Krabek '14, Eden Livingston '15, Tiffany Bauman '16, Susan Yun '17 and Evelyn Mesler '17.

Becker said, "Bauman is a very promising setter and our two freshman will do a lot in their coming years."

In addition to a strong lineup, Andover has plans to avoid past mistakes. Last season, it struggled with frequent second-set slumps, and Wincek and Becker look to lead the team in improving the strength and stamina of each player. They hope that increased physical endurance will help the team combat fatigue in five set matches and maintain team energy without relying on support from the crowd.

"Last year we had some problems with our energy level going down mid-match causing us to drop some sets we probably shouldn't have," said Wincek.

"However, one of the best things about our team is how well we work with and counterbalance each other," she added.

Both Captains agree that team chemistry was a big advantage last season and played a vital role in its ability to make comebacks. As shown already during preseason, team chemistry will continue to be a strength in the season ahead.

Bauman said, "The team has been great. Coach Clyfe is an awesome coach, and I love every player on the team."

"The hope is that the team can play well together, adjust to new situations and have fun doing it. If we are close to what we had last season, I will be very happy," said Beckwith.

Andover Girls Volleyball will play its first game at home this Friday against Governor's Academy.

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Win Streak Ends at 16; Volleyball Loses to Hotchkiss

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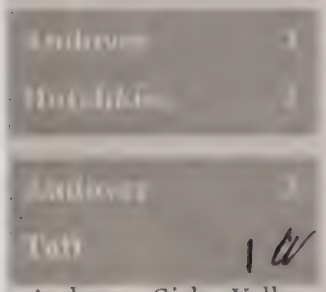

Andover Girls Volleyball suffered a tough 1-3 loss to Hotchkiss on Saturday afternoon, ending its 16-game regular season winning streak.

"As a team we played really well together when we had to, but when we got in a rut there was a clear struggle to get out," wrote Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Andover's loss to Hotchkiss was the first game of a double-header. The team quickly recovered from its defeat, taking down Taft in three sets in the second game.

Annette Bell '16 served ten straight service points in the first set against Hotchkiss to propel Andover to a 1-0 lead.

Hotchkiss soon rallied back, amending many of its rotation errors on the court to capture the second set, 25-22.

"Andover did not adjust for Hotchkiss's faster offense and developed communication errors of their own on defense," wrote Coach Clyfe Beckwith in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

After falling behind at the start of the third set, Andover mustered six straight points, tying up the score with Hotchkiss at 8-8. With the score fluctuating, Andover finally managed to pull ahead 18-17.

Hotchkiss's captain then incited a comeback by serving four consecutive points to put Hotchkiss up 25-20.

Hotchkiss prevailed in the fourth set, clinging to the lead to capture its first victory of the season.

Facing Taft two hours later, Andover stormed to a quick 12-4 lead. However, Taft rallied back, knotting the score at 22. Andover then served three consecutive points to take home the set.

In the second set, Taft took control with some minor line-up changes to tie the score at 1-1.

With the score tied, Andover went on the aggressive, placing key strikes to take home a 29-27 victory.

"When we were down and the pressure was on, we started swinging to win instead of swinging to be safe and put the ball in play when it really mattered," said Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14.

Andover's set victory was led by Bell, who served six consecutive points to put Andover within range of Taft.

"[Bell] served us out of a really tight corner. It was a lot of pressure on her shoulders, but she really pulled through for us," said Erica Shin '16.

With momentum on its side, Andover took home the fourth set to seal its first victory of the season.

"We played as a unified team [against Taft] instead of six individuals on the court, which is amazing to see happen so early on," said Wincek.

Andover also performed well in its scrimmages this week, defeating Governor's Academy 3-1 and tying Central Catholic 2-2.

Looking forward, Andover will focus on team camaraderie and defensive development.

"We have some great individual talent this year, but I think we'll be unstoppable once we fully channel all of our talent into working together and trusting each other as a cohesive unit on the court," said Wincek.

Andover faces Loomis on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at home. 9/20/13

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Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14 jumps at the net.

VOLLEYBALL

Girls Manage Injuries

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Andover 3
Loomis 0

Andover 3
St. Paul's 1

Fresh out of Isham for a concussion, Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 led Andover Girls Volleyball to victory with 36 out of the team's combined 43 kills against St. Paul's on Wednesday. The 3-1 win avenged an earlier loss on Saturday that ended Andover's 13-year win streak over Loomis Chaffee.

"Having Becker back was a huge help, because everyone was able to get back into their normal rotation and play next to the people they're used to playing next to," said Wincek. "The flow of who has what ball came back."

On Saturday, the team felt the impact of player injuries with the loss of star players Veronica Hildenbrand '14 as well as Becker to concussions, and the team struggled against Loomis in a tight five set loss.

"Loomis came out of the starting gate with an energy that Andover could barely catch up to," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

Loomis took the first set

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Five Set Defeat Ends 13 Year Win Streak Over Loomis

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25-12, but Andover made a comeback to win the second set 25-23.

"The biggest thing we did well in the second set was that we rallied when we were down instead of falling apart. We didn't really get in our heads, which is something we struggle with," said Erica Shin '16.

Shin, the team's starting libero, helped capture the lead in the second set with her precision on the court.

"[Shin] played amazingly," said Annette Belle '16. "She passed up everything that Loomis hit near her and helped the team out a lot."

After losing the third set, Andover regained its momentum by the fourth set, winning 26-24.

However, with the score at 2-2, Loomis found Andover's weak spots, ultimately winning the fifth set 15-6 for a 3-2 win over Andover.

With Becker back on the court against St. Paul's on Wednesday, Andover regained its strength, resulting in a 3-1 win and amending many of its past mistakes.

Andover went into its game against St. Paul's with the aim to eliminate careless blunders, hitting its serves in and forcing the other team to make errors.

Starting off by winning seven straight points, thanks to service points from new teammate Tiffany Bauman '16, Andover took the first set by a score of 25-12.

"St. Paul's had two really strong hitters, but they sent over quite a few free balls so we were able to set up a lot of great attacks," said Eden Livingston '15.

However, Andover faltered in the second and third sets, barely winning the second set 25-23 and falling in the third 22-25.

After the change, the Andover picked up its energy in the fourth set. The team took the set commandingly 25-19, bringing home the win with a decisive score of 3-1.

Shin played another superb game, returning 48 out of 51 balls for a 94 percent hit rate.

Bauman also proved to be a big asset to the team with 16 assists and three aces.

"The player of the match goes to Bauman who played the best defense yet, and did a great job distributing the ball as the team's only setter today," said Beckwith.

"We really stepped up our communication this game which was pivotal...we play our best when we communicate the most," said Wincek.

With this win under Andover's belt, the team is optimistic about its progress going forward.

"The plan is to keep having fun on the court and to achieve our goal to be the best we can be at the end of the season. We want to play together, learn to react to each other and in the process, hopefully win some games so we have a decent ranking for end of the season tournament," said Beckwith.

The team will travel to Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Saturday. NMH has also suffered losses at the hands of Hotchkiss and Loomis, making a win even more important for Andover.

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Isabel Taylor '15 and Kate Wincek '14 block Loomis' return.

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Mandy Reichenbach '14 spikes the ball.

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Captains Feature:

Kate Wincek and Alex Becker

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Co-Captains Kate Wincek '14 and Alex Becker '15 will the lead the Girls Andover Volleyball team this season with the goal of winning the New England Prep Fall Girls Volleyball Association (NEPFGVA) championship, an accomplishment the team has achieved four times in the last decade.

Both Wincek and Becker are three-year veterans who played on the 2011 Girls Volleyball Championship team and last year's Finalist team.

Wincek, a Senior from Omaha, Nebraska, has been on the team since her Lower year. When describing her personality on the court, Wincek said, "I've always been very outspoken."

Wincek also credits previous captains for being her role models and grooming her for her current leadership role.

"I've had some amazing captains to look up to over my two years on the team, between Jaime Shenk ['12], Chelsea Ward ['12], and Alexi Bell ['13] last year," said Wincek.

Wincek added, "[Bell's] leadership style is slightly different than mine, as she was a more understated leader. Getting to see that and how [she] interacted with the team was really helpful for me this year."

"Kate [is] a highly energetic and driven volleyball player whose dedication to, as well as knowledge and skill of volleyball makes her an obvious choice to lead this age-diverse team," wrote Head Coach Clyde Beckwith in an e-mail to The Phillipian.

Complementing Wincek is Alex Becker, a three-year Upper from Charleston, South Carolina. Rising to her position as Captain as an Upper, Becker has shown her ability to lead the team by example.

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"Alex Becker [is] a dynamic, spirited, and skillful player who leads by example both on and off the court. It is an honor to be elected as Captain in Upper year, so the team knows what a gem they have in her," wrote Beckwith.

When asked about her leadership style, Becker said, "I try and lead by example; making sure that I exaggerate covering, taking a full approach; making sure that I'm shadowing [the] person who is passing the ball."

Wincek and Becker have developed a trust in each other while on the court.

"This is our third year together, and so we have gotten chemistry on the court that is just built from working together," said Wincek.

Becker added, "We work really well together on the court. We know that each other will be there to cover."

As well as being a formidable duo during matches, their combined personalities are a recipe for success for their teammates and coaches.

"I think our leadership styles balance out well—we're both loud and outspoken, so there is a lot of energy between us," said Wincek.

"They both push the team but also do a really good job of working together," said Annette Bell '16.

With a 2-2 record this season, each Captain will try to make her presence felt on the court. Although last season's undefeated record will be difficult to replicate, Becker, Wincek and the rest of the team will be working toward coming home with the biggest prize—The Championships.

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Girls Serve Comeback Win Over NMH

By Isabella Haegg
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Andover	3
NMH	1

With Andover trailing by a score of 16-17 to Northfield Mount Hermon in the second set, Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14 fired off nine consecutive service points to steal the set 25-17, sparking a major Andover surge.

Andover Girls Volleyball ended the game with a 3-1 victory over NMH.

"[It was] the best set I have seen a team play in my coaching career," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

After falling 18-25 in the first set, Andover switched to a different formation to help swing the momentum of the game during the second set.

"NMH is a team with a lot of talented individual players, but they lack strong communication skills," said Co-Captain Alex Becker '15. "In order to win, we had to start putting the second ball over and hitting it in between players, instead of just cranking the ball anywhere on the court."

This change in strategy, along with skillful individual performances, allowed Andover to draw and eventually overtake NMH.

"[Wincek's] serves throughout the match definitely helped the team to get a healthy gap over NMH," said Mandy Reichenbach '14.

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Mandy Reichenbach '14 notched five kills against N.M.H.

Andover dominated the court in the third set. Rebecca Federman '14 widened the gap with five consecutive service points, and Annette Bell '16, who claimed five aces and 18 successful serves throughout the match, closed out the set 25-10 with eight service points.

"We focused on the basics, keeping the ball on their side of the net and letting them make the mistakes," said Reichenbach.

However, the fourth set proved to be tumultuous for Andover. After jumping to a 16-8 lead, the team collapsed when Federman injured her ankle and allowed NMH to tie the score at 17-17.

Down 24-21 and serving under intense pressure, Reichenbach executed three sharp serves, giving Andover a chance at match point. Bell then stepped up to the challenge once again and settled the match with a 27-25 win in the fourth set.

"There were a lot of incredible plays," said Becker.

Andover's performance on Saturday is reassuring after a disappointing loss to Loomis the week before. The comeback proved that the team had the dynamic energy and skill level necessary to recover under pressure.

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Annette Bell '16 and Isabel Taylor '15 totaled five stuffs.

"[This game] was the first time I felt like we really came together as a team," said Isabel Taylor '15.

With a week's rest until its next game against Choate, Andover looks to focus and work on its weaknesses. The team has had trouble gaining momentum in the beginning of games this season, and this match was no exception.

"Going forward I would love to see us wake up a little faster and use all of the skills we possess, because when we do, we're unbeatable," said Becker.

Andover fell to Choate in the semifinals of the New England Championships last year, so the team is hoping for redemption this Saturday.

Taylor concluded, "We are going to keep working hard in practice, and I can't wait to beat Choate next Saturday." 10/4/13

Two Points Short of Revenge

By Isabella Haegg
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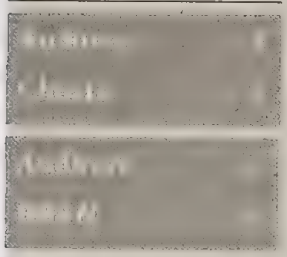

With the match on the line, Mandy Reichenbach '14 stepped up to the service line and brought the score from 8-13 to 13-13. However, the five point comeback was not enough for Andover Girls Volleyball to topple Choate, the reigning New England champions.

Choate won the fifth set 15-13 to beat Andover 3-2 last Saturday.

Last year, Andover fell to Choate in the semifinals of the New England Championships in a close 2-3 match.

After losing the first set 17-25, Andover took the second set 25-22 to tie the score.

"Even though we were slow out of the starting blocks, the team showed strength in their comebacks and strategies," wrote Coach Clyfe Beckwith in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

The third set was not as close, and Choate pulled away to win 25-17. Multiple service points from Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14 and Reichenbach helped Andover take the fourth set 25-23.

"Choate definitely had holes in their defense, and at times we were finding them wonderfully, and at other times it seemed like every ball kept going straight to one of their players," said Wincek.

The fifth and final set went back and forth, with Andover leading 7-6 and then falling 8-13 after Choate grabbed a sideout and scored four points in a row.

Choate ultimately nabbed two points to win the set 15-13 and the game 3-2.

Turning its defeat into motivation, Andover came out strong in its game against BB&N on Wednesday, dominating 3-0.

Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 picked up five straight service points to put Andover ahead 11-5. Isabel Taylor '15 followed with five service points of her own, helping Andover close out the first set 25-16.

"[Taylor] played really well. She did a great job finding gaps and playing smart instead of hitting for power," said Erica Shin '16.

Wincek's serving brought Andover to a 6-0 lead in the second set and then Eden Livingston '15 and Becker, with a combined five aces, closed out the set 25-16.

"[Becker] had some amazing kills in the second set, and she really helped keep our energy up," said Livingston.

BB&N roared back in the third set to lead 14-6, preying on Andover's slow defense.

"We just had to be prepared for anything erratic that came over or hit the block," said Livingston.

Coming back from 12-17, serving powerhouse Reichenbach won seven consecutive service points to put Andover ahead at 19-17 and ultimately close out the match at 25-19.

"This was a great game for us to try some of the things we'd been working on in practice, such as changing the tempo and speed of our hits up," said Wincek.

"BB&N was a good chance for us to try being more aggressive without worrying about making too many mistakes, it helped our team feel more confident trying out new plays," said Shin.

Andover hopes to add a win to its 8-2 record in a game against Dana Hall in Wellesley, Mass., this Friday.

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Five kills and five serving aces from Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 kept BB&N from winning a set.

Girls Spike Way to Three-Game Winning Streak

By Isabella Haegg
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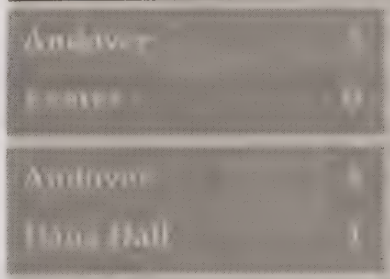

Leaping in the air, Susan Yun '17 nailed consecutive serves to put Andover three points over Exeter 19-16. Yun's serves gave Andover the momentum it needed to sweep Exeter 3-0 this past Wednesday.

Yun replaced injured Captain Kate Wincek '14, who had to leave the game after being stung by several bees in the third set.

"Seeing Kate so upset was scary for a second. We all thought that she was really badly injured," said Erica Shin '16. "Susan stepped in and played phenomenally, especially under so much pressure serving," she continued.

Against Exeter, Andover took the court wearing "Dig Pink!" uniforms in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

After battling back-and-forth in the first set, Andover edged out Exeter in the final three points with sharp serves from Mandy Reichenbach '14, Wincek and Shin. The team captured the set 25-22.

Wincek and Shin continued their stellar play in the second set, firing off a combined ten service points to put Andover up 14-4. Well-placed touches by Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 constantly created difficulties for Exeter's defense.

"Becker changed up the game and put down quite a few balls where there was nobody [to defend]," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

Andover earned a 25-11 victory in the second set.

"We had crazy leads throughout the set. We were communicating fabulously, and it really elevated our playing," said Eden Livingston '15.

After falling behind early in the third set, Andover battled back to 11-10 with three aces from Reichenbach.

The set, however, was briefly interrupted following a medical timeout and substitution for Wincek.

Despite the loss of Wincek, Andover took the third set 25-22 with the assistance of Shin and Yun, who combined for three service points.

"We had some really smart playing the entire match, and everyone pulled through, especially towards the end of the third set. Shin was incredible on defense, and Annette Bell ['16] did a great job of getting to the ball and distributing it well," said Beckwith.

Andover also defeated Dana Hill on Saturday 3-1. Against Dana Hill, Andover took both the first and second sets 25-13.

"Dana Hall had some strong hits from the outside, so we shifted positions and closed the block to counter that, which worked really well," said Shin.

Down 2-0, Dana Hall shifted strategies, switching from a defensive stance to an offensively aggressive one.

"Dana Hall really fired themselves up and our energy was too low. Learning to stay energized even when we're losing is something we struggle with consistently, and it's something we definitely need to work on," continued Shin.

Andover started the first set off with confidence, quickly gaining a 7-0 lead thanks to powerful serves by Shin, who totaled six aces throughout the match.

"Shin, our libero, really stepped up. [Wincek] was away and [Shin] played outside, a completely new position for her, and she killed it," said Becker.

Seven unanswered serves from Dana Hall's powerful hitter disrupted Andover's momentum, putting the team on the defensive edge as Dana Hall took the second set 25-14.

Andover then went on to take the third sewwt. With Dana Hall only one point behind Andover at 13-12 in the fourth set, Shin and Isabel Taylor '15 fired off six combined service points to put Andover up 21-13. Andover would eventually go to win the set 25-16.

"We kept the team on their toes in the fourth set by changing the pace. It really swung the momentum in our favor," said Annette Bell '16.

Andover will look to use its confidence from its victories over Dana Hall and Exeter to defeat Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) at home during Family Weekend. 10/18/13

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Eden Livingston '15 served the final point against Exeter, securing a 3-0 sweep.

Girls Bounce Back After Early Defeat

By Isabella Haegg
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Andover	1
NMH	3

Andover	3
Milton	0

Looking to avenge its four set loss to Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Saturday, Andover Girls Volleyball stepped up its game against Milton on Wednesday, handing it a three set smackdown 25-15, 25-15 and 25-22.

Andover faced NMH for the second time this season, coming off of a 3-1 win in their first match.

Andover managed to maintain a lead during the first set, with Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 playing middle hitter and Erica Shin '16 playing outside hitter. This was the sixth different rotation the team had seen this season.

"Isabel [Taylor '15] was out because of her hurt finger, so Becker and Shin had to play abnormal positions. They really stepped up," said Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14.

NMH pulled ahead 22-21 and won two crucial service points to make the score 25-22, giving it a 1-0 lead.

Andover battled in the second set to keep up with NMH. Andover worked its way to bring the score to 19-21, with Wincek dominating at the net, hitting through NMH's defense and blocking her opponents' powerful shots. Despite this advance, NMH inched its way to a 25-22 score to win the second set.

"NMH made some key mistakes in the second set. We should have capitalized on them, but [we] made a few too many of our own," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

NMH drew even with Andover in the third set, leading by only a point 9-8. Serving powerhouse Mandy Reichenbach '14 stepped up to the service line and fired off five of her trademark killer serves for a 14-10 lead.

This display was followed by four sharp serves from Eden Livingston '15 to put Andover up 19-10. Annette Bell '16 kept up the pace, earning four more side outs for Andover and executing three carefully-executed winners to win the set 25-16.

"We had the goal in the third set to go in and really vary the tempo of our hitting and keep NMH off balance. We were very successful at varying the tempo and power of our hits," said Wincek.

The fourth set consisted of some of the most competitive rallies of the day. The momentum of the game swung back and forth between the teams.

Andover led throughout the first half of the set, but NMH stormed back to close out the set 25-22.

"NMH played a great game. They showed remarkable resilience defending what I thought was a great attack by Andover," said Beckwith.

Livingston said, "The five point slip in each game caused us to lose such close sets each time, even though we played really well for the majority of the match."

Motivated more than ever to bring home a win, Andover dominated in its match against Milton.

With Taylor, Rebecca Federman '14 and Veronica Hildenbrand '14 still out, Andover played Becker at middle and Shin at outside hitter again

Bell opened the match with three sharp aces. Milton wrestled its way to a 13-11 lead, but Bell and Wincek shut it down with five and six successive service points respectively. Andover closed out the set 25-15.

"Milton was a more static team, so it was a great chance for us to really work on changing our tempo up more and exploiting their holes," said Wincek.

Thanks to Wincek's serves, Andover went up in the second set 4-1. Milton fought back again to trail Andover 8-9.

In the second set, Wincek and Reichenbach were an unstoppable serving pair, combining for five and seven consecutive service points, respectively, for a 23-11 lead. Livingston served out the set 25-15.

"What gave us the extra edge in the second set was playing up our hitters to break through Milton's defense," said Shin.

Despite Andover's early advantages of 10-6 and 12-9, Milton came back in the third set to put the score at 17-16 in their advantage.

"Milton's big hitters brought us down a few times when we couldn't pick up their kills," said Shin.

Livingston pulled through for Andover, crushing five serves to pull ahead 21-17. Shin followed up with three service points of her own to help Andover take the set 25-22 and the match 3-0.

"It was a good learning experience for our team to be able to go through that period of low energy and come out on top still," said Becker.

Andover will hit the road this Saturday to take on Deerfield.

10/25/13

Five-Set Nailbiters Prepare Girls for Exeter

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
St. Paul's	3

Andover	3
Deerfield	2

Mandy Reichenbach '14 stepped up to the service line with the fate of Andover Volleyball's game against Deerfield in her hands and blasted three serves to give Andover a 13-9 lead and the momentum it needed to close out the match 15-10.

After battling for the hard-fought five set win against Deerfield on Saturday, Andover fell to St. Paul's on Wednesday with a score of 2-3 in a tumultuous match.

Andover stifled Deerfield's attack and focused on consistency to win the first set 25-22.

The second set proved to be equally close. Consecutive service points from Annette Belle '16, Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14 and Erica Shin '16 gave Andover the extra edge, siding out on the last point for a 25-23 win.

Momentum swung between both teams in the third set.

Co-Captain Alex Becker '15 came down hard on her foot at the net, spraining her ankle, and had to be taken out of the game. Susan Yun '17 stepped up to the challenge and subbed in for Becker as outside hitter.

"[Yun] did extremely well under so much pressure," said Shin.

Despite Andover's three match point opportunities, Deerfield held tight and took the third set 27-25.

"We were about to close out the match in the third set when Becker got hurt. We almost pulled it off, but the new chemistry on the court meant we played safe rather than gunning for it," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

Going into the fourth set, Andover changed its lineup, putting Shin at outside and Katherine Krabek '14 playing libero. Deerfield took advantage of Andover's altered gameplan and closed out the set 25-20.

The fifth set and the match were decided in the last six points. Thanks to Reichenbach's steadfast serves, Andover broke from 9-9 to pull ahead 13-9. Wincek served out the last point and brought home the win.

"Andover got its rhythm back by the fifth set and pulled through against Deerfield, who always seemed to find a way to make a comeback," said Beckwith.

The team felt confident going into its match against St. Paul's after its decisive 3-1 win against the opposing team earlier in the season.

Andover began the match with a handicap, with players on the team at unfamiliar positions. Because of her jump-preventing injury, Becker, who usually dominates at outside, played libero.

The first set foreshadowed the tight, back-and-forth match between the two teams. Andover pulled ahead at 21-19 and 23-21 until St. Paul's sided out to ultimately take the first set 25-23.

Andover battled back to a 15-10 lead in the second set, which it ultimately won 25-19 to pull even with St. Pauls 1-1.

"We came alive in the second [set]. We put the ball into the holes, we pounded it to the back line, and we passed up balls off the net," said Becker.

Andover came out fierce in the third set under Wincek's leadership.

"[Wincek] was on fire, slamming a ton of balls into the back corner. Her energy really brought our playing level up," said Shin.

The unstoppable serving trio of Reichenbach, Isabel Taylor '15 and Eden Livingston '15 combined for 11 service points and closed out the set 25-17.

Despite dominating the third set, Andover lost its momentum for the rest of the match. After St. Paul's pulled ahead 10-6 in the fourth set, Andover's offense began to crumble.

"We didn't think St. Paul's could come back and win, so we stopped focusing and let them get the best of us," said Becker.

"Once we lost our momentum, we had trouble picking ourselves up and getting out of the hole," said Shin.

St. Paul's took the set easily 25-13 and cruised to a 15-4 lead in the fifth set.

"The match was ours to win, but we struggle with playing through the end. We took our lead for granted too soon and had to scramble," said Wincek.

With no matches on the schedule until the team faces off against Exeter, Andover has ten days to fine-tune its plays and teamwork.

The team will finally be intact as Veronica Hildenbrand '14 and Rebecca Federman '14 recover from injuries just in time for the Exeter match.

"If we can play our game and are pumped up to play, we will do ourselves proud. We're fighters and we're ready for some good competition," said Beckwith.

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Kate Wincek '14 led Andover to a 3-2 win over Deerfield.

Girls Volleyball amps up for a game.

GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Well-rested after a week without a game, Girls Volleyball returns to the court tomorrow aiming to repeat its three-set shutout over Exeter earlier this season and end its rollercoaster season on a high note.

"We learned some of [Exeter's] strengths and weaknesses from our match earlier this season, so we need to go in ready to shut down their strengths and highlight and expose their weaknesses," said Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14.

Led by Co-Captains Alex Becker '15 and Wincek, Andover seized decisive 3-0 wins against BB&N and Milton and a 3-1 win over Dana Hall, pushing through a season handicapped by several players' injuries.

The team will rely on serving powerhouses Wincek, Erica Shin '16 and Mandy Reichenbach '14 to anchor the team against Exeter. When Andover's game against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) was tied at 17-17, Reichenbach's unanswered serves helped the team seal a 3-1 victory.

"The fact that the team has stepped up to replace missing players and battle out tough matches against SPS, Exeter, Loomis, Deerfield and NMH has been a telling sign that we are fighters," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

After a season hampered by concussions and surprise bee attacks, Andover is prepared to take down Exeter again this A/E weekend.

"I'm really looking forward to A/E, because it's my last chance to play Exeter and always my favorite game of the year," said Wincek. "The energy in the gym is unmatched and there's always so much happening the entire game, so people end up playing their best."

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Girls Tackle Exeter Twice This Week, Unable to Secure Redemption

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Andover Girls Volleyball rallies to quell Exeter's momentum and make a comeback in the third set.

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Surrounded by screaming fans decked in blue gear and the sounds of vuvuzelas on Saturday, Annette Bell '16 fired off eight unanswered service points in the third set to help Andover Volleyball comeback against Phillips Exeter Academy and take the set 25-14.

Andover, however, was unable to secure a victory, and the team lost 3-1 in front of the Andover-Exeter crowd.

Unable to avenge the loss, Andover lost again to Exeter 0-3 on Wednesday in the NEPSAC quarterfinals.

These two losses did not come without a fight. Andover outscored Exeter by one point Saturday and lost by two points in each set on Wednesday.

Despite dominating Exeter 3-0 in under an hour earlier in the season, Andover struggled against the improved team.

"Exeter was much more consistent than [it] used to be. [It] didn't make errors often, so that means we had to keep up the rallies for a long time," said Eden Livingston '15.

On Saturday, the first set foreshadowed what would be a back and forth game.

Andover and Exeter were tied a total of 11 times by the time the score was 16-16. Andover battled to see its first set point at 24-23, and another set point at 25-24, but ultimately could not close out the set.

Exeter held on and executed a side out and two service points to win the set 27-25.

"Our strategy was to go big or go home—literally. We had some really powerful hits that got us points, and came out swinging really hard," said Livingston.

The second set followed the same pattern as the first with the teams tieing 13 times in total. At 17-17, Exeter pulled ahead 22-17 and used that momentum to close it out 25-21, grabbing a 2-0 lead over Andover.

Andover rallied to take control of the third set, closing it out 25-14 and forcing Exeter to battle out another set.

The fourth set came down to the wire. The teams going head to head until the score reached 19-19, when Exeter pulled ahead with a final burst of energy to take the set 25-21 and ultimately the match 3-1.

"The serve was switching back and forth really often, and that made it difficult for us to keep up solid momentum," said Co-Captain Alex Becker '15.

After such a close loss, Andover had high hopes going into Wednesday. They fell to Exeter in a heartbreaking match 23-25, 24-26 and 28-30.

"When we played Exeter on Saturday, we had a lot more spikes and hard hits. On Wednesday, we played more flatline and more consistent, but it wasn't as high of a level as we would've liked to play," said Co-Captain Kate Wincek '14.

Andover jumped ahead in the first set early, leading 7-3 and 10-7 until Exeter fired off five serves and take the lead 12-10. The two teams fought closely, and although Andover came back to tie the set at 23, Exeter pulled ahead 25-23.

The second set was a brutal back and forth between the two teams. Andover tied the score at 9, 14 and 19. The pressure was on to close out the set.

One of the most exciting plays this season came in the middle of the second set. Bell picked up an Exeter serve that hit the net as it came over, a shot most players are unable to execute, giving Andover some needed momentum.

"As [Bell] was walking across the net to get to her position, she popped up the ball with her wrist and we made a play on it. It was gorgeous," said Becker.

With this confidence boost, Andover went up 21-20 and 23-22 until the teams tied at 24 all.

Once again, Exeter came out on top, seizing the set 26-24.

The third set followed the same pattern as the first two. At 24-23, Andover saw its first set point of the match. Despite losing the point, Andover fought for another set point at 25-24.

Exeter countered with a match point at 26-25, yet Andover came back with its third and fourth set points at 27-26 and 28-27.

In a final push, Exeter went ahead 30-28, finishing a grueling battle and capturing its second win over Andover in five days.

"Exeter didn't outplay us, they outscrapped us. They picked up a lot of balls that teams normally wouldn't have and never let a ball drop," said Becker.

Although it may seem that two losses to Exeter end the season on a bad note, both matches demonstrated team unity, which Andover has worked hard to improve on this year.

"This may not have been the best we played, but it was the most together we've played all season in my opinion. Everyone on the court seemed like we all really loved to be there, and at the end of the day we came together and played as one unit instead of six individuals, which was a huge stepping stone for us," said Wincek.

Andover Volleyball finished the season with an 8-7 record. 11/15/13

Sport: Boys Water Polo

Year: 2013

Captains: Travis Bouscaren, Andrew Yang

Coach: David Fox

Assistant Coach: Jill Kozloff

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New England Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Arnold, Rome
Bouscaren, Travis
Camarda, Michael
Cao, David
Cho, Dong Heon
Faller, Joseph
Fanikos, Peter
Faulkner, Nicholas
Li, Alexander
Li, Christopher
Sagay, Elliot
Sevastopoulo, Marc
Simpson, Scott
Teo, Aaron
Yang, Andrew

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Water Polo Boys JV/Varsity
2013 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
1	Arnold, Rome	2014	New York, NY
1A	Sagay, Elliot	2015	Irvine, CA
2	Bouscaren, Travis*	2014	Cambridge, MA
3	Camarda, Michael	2014	Laguna Hills, CA
4	Cao, David	2014	Tallahassee, FL
4	Cho, Dong Heon	2014	Seoul, KOR
6	Faller, Joseph	2014	North Reading, MA
7	Fanikos, Peter	2014	Andover, MA
8	Simpson, Scott	2014	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
9	Talcott, Charles	2014	Washington, DC
10	Yang, Andrew*	2014	Taipei, TWN
11	Li, Alexander	2015	Riverside, CT
12	Li, Christopher	2015	Riverside, CT
13	Sevastopoulo, Marc	2015	New York, NY
14	Teo, Aaron	2015	Singapore
15	Faulkner, Nicholas	2016	Homer, AK
16	Janoschek, Benjamin	2016	Acton, MA
17	Ty, Darren	2016	North Andover, MA
18	Washburn, Chandler	2016	Andover, MA
19	Xue, Jonathan	2017	Andover, MA

*Captains

Coach: David Fox
Assistant Coach: Jill Kozloff

Managers: Lauren Conte '14, Claire Im '15, Corinna Torabi '14, Kelly Xia '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/18 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 7-9
9/21 @ 4:30 PM	Brunswick		Game	L 9-10 OT
9/28 @ 2:00 PM	Williston		Game	W 25-4
9/28 @ 2:00 PM	Hotchkiss		Game	W 24-1
10/5 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 16-9
10/12 @ 2:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	W 15-13 OT
10/16 @ 3:00 PM	Suffield	H	Game	W 21-5
10/19 @ 2:45 PM	St. John's Prep	H	Game	W 26-4
10/26 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 4-14
10/30 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter		Game	L 3-10
11/2 @ 3:15 PM	Hopkins	H	Game	W 26-5
11/8 @ 6:30 PM	Loomis		Tournament	W 12-10
11/9 @ 10:00 AM	Brunswick		Tournament	W 10-8
11/9 @ 4:30 PM	Exeter		Championship	W 6-5

Highlights

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/18/2013 11:15 AM	H	Game		7-9

Andover Opens Season with Great Game

The Andover Boys' Water Polo team began its 2013 season with a highly competitive game against the defending New England champions from Exeter.
The game began with two goals from co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14, but Exeter responded with two goals of its own, including one with :05 left in the first quarter, and the quarter ended with a 2-2 tie.
In the second quarter, co-captain Andrew Yang '14 found himself excluded for 20 seconds, and Exeter was able to convert to take its first lead of the day, 2-3. 63 seconds later, Andover converted its own 6-on-5 power play on a goal from Nick Faulkner '16, but Exeter responded twelve seconds later with its own goal. After a great defensive stop by Chris Li '15, Joe Faller '14 was able to find the back of the net and tie the game, 4-4. Following another great block from goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14, Bouscaren was able to give Andover another lead 5-4. But following another exclusion against Andover, Exeter was able to tie the game, and the two teams entered halftime 5-5.
The third quarter continued the back-and-forth when Exeter scored with 6:23 left in the quarter, but 5 seconds later, Andover responded with a goal by Bouscaren. Exeter the converted a penalty foul, but Bouscaren responded again to tie the game 7-7. In the last 122 seconds of the quarter, Andover had two power play opportunities but struggled to convert, and the game entered the fourth quarter tied 7-7.
Although the Andover defense continued to flourish in the fourth quarter on great play from David Cao '14, Alex Li '15, Scott Simpson '14, and Yang--giving up only two goals defending the more challenging deep-end of the pool, Exeter's experience in competitive games came through as it shut the Andover offense out, and the game ended 7-9. Despite earning its first loss of the season in such a close game, Andover was pleased with its performance, one that bodes well for the season.

Brunswick

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/21/2013 12:30 PM	A	Game	Williston	9-10 OT

Andover Takes Brunswick into OT

After a great, close game against the defending champions on Wednesday, the Andover Varsity Water Polo Team returned to action on Saturday against last year's runner-up: Brunswick.
As with the Exeter game, Andover began strong: two great defensive stops led by goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 and goals from co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 and Peter Fanikos '14. At the end of the first quarter, Andover led 2-1.
In the second quarter, now defending the usually easier shallow-end of the pool, Andover's defense collapsed under good play by the more experienced squad from Brunswick. While co-captain Andrew Yang '14 scored a goal in the quarter, Brunswick scored five and led at the half 3-6.
Entering the third quarter, Andover made some adjustments to shore up its defense—particularly defending against offensive motion—which paid off. Scott Simpson '14, David Cao '14, Chris Li '15, and Alex Li '15 all contributed to Andover's improved defense. Brunswick scored only two goals in the quarter, including one by the goalkeeper. Meantime, Andover's offense was still fairly stagnant and created only two goals, another from Bouscaren and one from Nick Faulkner '16.

With additional adjustments to compensate for the rising physicality of the game, Andover finally came to life in the fourth quarter, which began with the score 5-8. At 5:48, Faulkner again connected with the back of the net, followed Joe Faller '14 at 3:31. And at 2:12, Yang finished Andover's comeback to tie the game 8-8. Impressively, Brunswick quickly responded and took the lead again with 1:45 left in the game. After several missed opportunities for Andover, a Brunswick player was excluded, and Andover found itself with a power play with :04 remaining in the game. The game seemingly ended with Andover's loss, and the two teams cheered for each other and shook hands.

Within minutes, though, it became clear that the scorekeeper had mismanaged the final four seconds of the game, so both teams hopped back into the water to replay the finale. This time, Nick Faulkner scored with :01 left in the game. With the score now tied 9-9, the two teams entered overtime. After four minutes of great, physical play from both sides, the score was still tied. At that point, the final segment of the game began: first to score, wins. This was a new situation for Andover, and again, the team demonstrated poise, especially when Brunswick put up a great shot to win the game.

Andover typically plays little more than a dozen games in a calendar year, so it was great to have those extra four seconds and even better to gain the experience from playing in overtime and even in "sudden death" against a strong team from Brunswick, who demonstrated great poise in a challenging situation: believing the win was secured, then ending up in overtime but still using their experience to secure victory.

Andover hopes to take many lessons learned from these opening games and apply them this Saturday in its only double header of the year: back to Williston to play the hosts and the squad from Hotchkiss.

Williston

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
9/28/2013 10:00 AM		Game	Williston	25-4

Boys' Water Polo Wins Double Header: 25-4; 24-1

After traveling to Williston for the second week in a row, the Andover Boys' Water Polo Team played games against Williston and Hotchkiss.

The first game, against Williston, opened with an offensive flurry fueled by excellent team defense. Nick Faulkner '16 scored the first three goals, followed by two from co-captain Andrew Yang '14 and two from co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14. While defending the shallow-end goal in the second quarter, Andover was able to gain valuable defensive experience, led by goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14. The defense continued to feed a great counterattack, and Andover scored another nine unanswered goals: Yang, 4; Bouscaren, 2; Aaron Teo '15; Faulkner; and David Cho '14.

Going into the second half with a 16-0 advantage, Andover focused on improving its quick decision-making in the third quarter, which saw Williston score against the Andover defense as well as additional goals from Andover: David Cao '14, 2; Marc Sevastopoulo '15; Teo; Cho; and Chris Li '15, 2. In the fourth quarter, Williston outscored the Big Blue, 3 to 2; Andover's two goals came from Ben Janoschek and Cho. Andover won the game, 25-4.

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Hotchkiss

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9/28/2013 10:00 AM		Game	Williston	24-1

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Choate

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/5/2013 12:45 PM	H	Game		16-9

Andover Defeats Choate

With a late start after the SATs, Andover came out flat defensively, giving up three goals to Choate in the first quarter of today's game but managed a lead with two goals from co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 as well as goals from Joe Faller '14 and Nick Faulkner '16. In the second quarter, Andover again outscored Choate by one goal with David Cao '14, Faller, Aaron Teo '15, and Faulkner finding the back of the net. At halftime, Andover led 8-6. In the third quarter, Andover's defense finally came together under the leadership of goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14, who had nine saves on the day. With its new defensive effort producing turnovers, the Andover offense converted five goals: one each from Bouscaren and Chris Li '15 and three from co-captain Andrew Yang '14, who really stepped up to put the game away.

Entering the fourth quarter with a 13-8 lead, Scott Simpson '14 scored, followed by Peter Fanikos '14. Simpson scored again with :16 left in the game to solidify a 16-9 win, Andover's first win over Choate in at least five years. The win also brought Andover to its first winning record since September 2011.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/12/2013 10:00 AM	H	Game		15-13 OT

Andover Has Close Win Against Loomis

Entering today's match, the Pelicans of Loomis held one of the league's best records, 5-2, and had just come off a close loss to league-leading Brunswick. Having just secured its first winning record (3-2) since September 2011, Andover was determined to keep it.
The game began with a great block from goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 and a goal from Scott Simpson '14. Loomis quickly responded, but Simpson again found the back of the net, and Aaron Teo '15 scored just as the quarter was concluding.
On the first possession of the second quarter, Peter Fanikos '14 scored a nice back-hand from center-forward, and Simpson followed with his third goal of the game. Just as Andover may have seized control of the game, Loomis brought the score to 5-2, but co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 responded to create a four-goal lead, but in its last possession of the half, Loomis again converted to make the score 6-3.
After giving up another goal and wasting two consecutive power-plays, Andover drew an exclusion that Nick Faulkner '16 converted with 3:58 left in the third quarter. After Bouscaren again scored with 2:25 left in the quarter to bring the score to 8-4, Loomis used a timeout to change its offensive strategy. The strategy paid off with two consecutive goals before Faulkner again converted with only :05 remaining in the quarter.
With the score 9-6 and defending the more challenging deep-end of the pool, Andover continued to adjust to Loomis' offense. The fourth quarter began with another Faulkner goal, but Loomis responded. At 5:09, Bouscaren scored his third goal of the game, but Loomis scored at 4:58 and 3:35. With the score now 11-9, Andover called a timeout to try to manage the Pelican onslaught. It did not work out, and at 1:25, Loomis tied the game 11-11. Faulkner responded at 1:16, but Loomis was able to draw its third exclusion on Simpson and converted the tying goal with :43 left in the game. After both teams failed to score in their final possessions, regulation ended 12-12.
Overtime consists of two three-minute quarters, and the first one saw 2:45 of play go by before Andover took the lead on Faulkner's fifth goal of the day. With :06 remaining, Loomis drew another power-play and quickly converted to tie the game with :02 left, 13-13. In the second overtime period, the Andover defense and goalkeeping held firm and both Fanikos and co-captain Andrew Yang '14 scored, solidifying the Andover win, 15-13.

Suffield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/16/2013 11:00 AM	H	Game		21-5

Andover Earns Playoff Spot

At home on a Wednesday, Andover solidified a place in the playoffs with a win over Suffield.
After only 16 seconds of play, Suffield scored, but Andover quickly scored five unanswered goals and began to build a lead that it maintained throughout the game. Andover's ability to learn from the weaknesses exposed in the Loomis game and play much better defense was impressive as was the variety of its offensive production. Eight Andover players scored: co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 (2), Peter Fanikos (3), David Cho '14, Scott Simpson '14, co-captain Andrew Yang '14 (5), Alex Li '15, Aaron Teo '15 (2), Nick Faulkner '16 (6).

St. John's Prep

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/19/2013 10:45 AM	H	Game		26-4

Andover Defeats St. John's

Behind goalkeeper Rome Arnold's 10 saves, Andover's defense generated a formidable counterattack. Eight different Andover players scored goals: co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 (2), David Cao '14 (4), David Cho '14 (4), Peter Fanikos '14, co-captain Andrew Yang '14 (2), Marc Sevastapoulo '15 (5), Nick Faulkner '16 (7), and Chandler Washburn '16.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/26/2013 11:30 AM		Game		4-14

Andover's Winning Streak at an End

After playing the first quarter to a draw, Deerfield scored four unanswered goals in the second quarter on rising physicality and went on to dominate the game. Andover had several good moments at both the offensive and defensive ends, but overall was unable to adjust to Deerfield's physicality. Goalkeeper Rome Arnold's '14 seven saves along with two goals from co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 and single goals from Scott Simpson '14 and Nick Faulkner '16 were among the highlights of the game.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
10/30/2013 11:15 AM		Game		3-10

Andover Suffers Defeat at Exeter

Four days after the Deerfield game, which required two Andover players to seek medical attention afterwards, the Big Blue traveled north to face the Big Red. Hoping to even the season series 1-1, following a 7-9 loss in the opening game of the season, Andover suffered from mental and physical sluggishness throughout the game. The squad seemed to be waiting for someone to score in order to get excited about the competition. Unfortunately, that first score did not come until the fourth quarter when co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 found the back of the net to make the game 1-9. Nick Faulkner '16 followed with two more goals, and Andover departed New Hampshire determined to resurrect its season.

Hopkins

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/2/2013 11:15 AM	H	Game		26-5

Andover Wins Final Home Game

Trying to resurrect its season after two difficult games in which its offense collapsed, Andover entered its final home game of the season determined to send off the Class of 2014 with a win against a young team from Hopkins. Rome Arnold '14 and Eliot Sagay '15 split time in the goal and had a combined thirteen saves. On the offensive end, eleven different Andover players scored goals: co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 (5), Michael Camarda '14 (2), David Cao '14 (2), Joe Faller '14 (2), Peter Fanikos '14 (4), co-captain Andrew Yang '14, Alex Li '15 (2), Marc Sevastopoulo '15, Aaron Teo '15 (4), Nick Faulkner '16 (2), and Ben Janoshek '16.
Andover's next game is against Loomis in the quarterfinals of the New England Championship tournament.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/8/2013 1:30 PM	[illegible]	Tournament	Exeter	12-10

Andover in the Liquid Four

On the back of co-captain Travis Bouscaren's '14 outstanding performance--including nine goals--Andover defeated a strong, spirited squad from Loomis today in the quarterfinals of the New England Championship tournament. Andover's other three goals came from Aaron Teo '15, Michael Camarda '14, and Nick Faulkner '16. Goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 made several fantastic saves, especially after momentary collapses of team defense, while David Cao '14, Joe Faller '14, Peter Fanikos '14, Scott Simpson '14, and co-captain Andrew Yang '14 played excellent defense and contributed directly to the Andover offense.
Andover faces undefeated, and top seed, Brunswick tomorrow at Exeter at 10:00. Andover lost to Brunswick in overtime on the first Saturday of the regular season.

Brunswick

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 5:00 AM	[illegible]	Tournament	Phillips Exeter Academy	10-8

Andover Wins New England Water Polo Semifinal

In its first semifinal game in a New England Championship tournament since 2006, Andover faced undefeated and top seed, Brunswick. In September, Brunswick beat Andover by one goal.
Andover took an early lead on consecutive goals from primary center-forward, Peter Fanikos '14. The tough and experienced team from Brunswick quickly recovered and scored three unanswered goals to take a 3-2 lead with 4:06 remaining in the first half.
At that point, Andover's defense clamped down under the leadership of goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 and outstanding defense from David Cao '14, Joe Faller '14, and co-captain Andrew Yang '14. Nick Faulkner '16 scored consecutive outside shots from seven meters, and then Michael Camarda '14 and Faller both scored before Brunswick again found the back of the net. At the half, Andover led 6-4.
Brunswick opened the third quarter with consecutive goals, and the game was tied until Faulkner scored his third goal of the game, on a penalty foul drawn by co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 with 1:08 remaining in the quarter. In the fourth quarter, Brunswick quickly scored to again tie the game, but Bouscaren scored with 5:37 in the game to give Andover the lead again. At 4:15, Scott Simpson '14 scored to give Andover a two-goal lead. Brunswick scored with 1:50 left in the game to bring the score within one until Camarda scored his second goal of the game with 1:07 remaining. With a two-goal lead, Andover successfully protected the ball and emerged victorious for only its third semifinal win in school history.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
11/9/2013 11:30 AM		Championship	Phillips Exeter Academy	6-5

Andover Water Polo Beats Exeter To Win First New England Championship

In 1994, after winning a semifinal game of the New England Championship tournament by beating Exeter for the first time ever, Andover—led in part by the great Rush Taylor '96, whose picture hangs at the Andover pool today—fell short to Loomis in the championship game. In 2006, after Andover Athletics legend and All-American Howie Kalter '07 scored *seven* unanswered goals in the fourth quarter to secure a two-goal win over Suffield in a semifinal game, Andover suffered a triple-overtime loss to Exeter in the championship game.

Today, after a seven-year absence from the Final Four, Andover again won a closely contested semifinal and again faced Exeter for the championship. But today, for the first time in history, Andover won it all, and it won it all with a packed house of 700+ people in the stands for the annual Andover/Exeter Day.

After an embarrassing 3 to 10 drubbing at the hands of Exeter just ten days ago, Andover entered the championship game against the Big Red determined to focus on those things within its control and to play its best water polo of the year.

The first quarter was dominated by goalkeeper Rome Arnold's '14 five saves as well as excellent defense by both teams. With 2:41 left in the first half, Andover found itself down 0-2, but the Andover boys remained upbeat—recognizing their great play, despite the scoreboard—and with only :21 remaining, co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 put Andover on the scoreboard with an extraordinary shot from 10 meters. At the half, Andover was down 1-2.

Exeter started the third quarter with another goal, and Andover called a timeout. With revitalized intensity, which saw extensive movement from Joe Faller '14 and Nick Faulkner '16 along with great defense from Peter Fanikos '14 and Scott Simpson '14 against Exeter's center-forward, Michael Camarda '14 scored with 4:57 remaining in the quarter, making the score 2-3. Exeter quickly responded, but co-captain Travis Bouscaren '14 and Camarda both scored in the final minutes of the third quarter to tie the game.

Sixteen seconds into the final quarter, Bouscaren scored again, which gave Andover its first lead of the game. 326 seconds later, co-captain Andrew Yang '14 scored to give Andover a 6-4 lead with only 78 seconds remaining in the game. Exeter scored again with 62 seconds left in the game, but Andover was able to protect the cage through Exeter's multiple shot opportunities in the final seconds to secure the win.

After the game, Arnold was recognized as the tournament's outstanding goalkeeper, particularly in light of his phenomenal 20 saves in the championship game. In water polo, one rarely sees an 80% save rate, especially in a championship game. Faulkner and Yang were both named to the All-Tournament Team, and Bouscaren was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player for being the dominant force—at both the offensive and defensive ends of the pool—in the tournament.

And while only eight Andover players saw action in the final game, all the members of the Andover Water Polo team recognize their contributions—in practice and in games throughout the season—to the team win. It truly was a remarkable twenty-three hours from the start of the quarterfinal to the conclusion of the final—certainly the best twenty-three hours in the history of Andover Water Polo.

The final score of today's championship game was a fitting, 6-5 win, the exact same score from that legendary upset in 1994. For all those great Andover players and teams from the past, the Andover boys hope this championship feels good for you, too.

Boys Return with a Quiver Of Veteran Players

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Graduating only two Seniors for an impressive lineup of returning players, Andover Boys Water Polo hopes to bounce back from a disappointing 2012 season. Andover struggled to maintain control and finished with a 4-8 record despite showing talent and skill in the water last fall.

"Frankly, last year we did not have a successful season at all," wrote Peter Fanikos '14 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*. "We were a very young and inexperienced team with only two Seniors, one of [whom] was hurt for the majority of the season and could not play."

"However, this year the team is dominantly comprised of Seniors and experienced Uppers. We should be capable of performing better than last year," added Fanikos.

Despite last year's lack of experience, the team showed astounding speed in the water, propelling its dominant offense. Andover will continue to hone its strengths and minimize weaknesses through rigorous practices early on. However, the key to success this year will be the lineup of 15 returning players.

"This year there will be a lot more bench players that will be able to sub in and help the team compared to last year, where the starters had to play almost the entire games," said Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*.

Andover's Water Polo program will face a difficult challenge this season. With previous Junior Varsity Coach Scott Hoenig newly appointed as Dean of Studies, Andover will combine the JV and Varsity teams into one enlarged team during practices.

"Obviously it is not ideal, but it's the best thing we could work out," said Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14.

Andover will have to split into JV and Varsity teams for games, and with approximately 20 players on the combined team, limited space in the pool for practice will be an additional obstacle for Andover Water Polo. Despite its immediate setbacks, the team remains hopeful that the change will yield great improvements in the future.

Yang said, "More people will get more playing time and more experience playing, so I think it'll be better for the team in the long run."

"Going into my last season, I have high hopes," he added. "We definitely have a strong core returning players, and I think this year we really have a shot at finally making it to the Final Four."

Andover Boys Water Polo looks to start the season off strong against Exeter on September 18.

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Nick Faulkner '16 winds up to throw a pass.

Boys Fall to Exeter Despite Strong Effort

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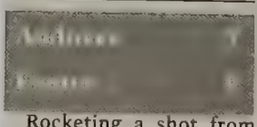
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Rocketing a shot from the point into the net, Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 started off Andover Boys Water Polo's game against rival Exeter on a strong note. However, Exeter came out on top as Andover fell just two points short of victory on Wednesday.

"Our strong points today were that everyone played tough," said Bouscaren, despite the 7-9 loss. "Exeter is a very physical team but we handled the pressure pretty well."

Propelled by the opening goal, Andover maintained control of the ball, just barely missing a second goal. The team continued to show improved skill with smooth passes, opening up multiple offensive opportunities and allowing Bouscaren to quickly net a second goal off a pass from Nick Faulkner '16.

"We started pressing a lot harder on Exeter, and we forced their guys out of their position," said David Cao '14.

Despite the early advantage, Andover was unable to seal the deal against its seasoned opponent. Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14 said, "Just last Saturday, Exeter scored 22 points in both of their games. We knew coming into the game that we would have a tough game since Exeter is the defending champion."

Exeter's skill became apparent as its offense began to break down Andover's previously cohesive defense. Despite multiple saves from goalie Rome Arnold '14, Exeter turned the tides on the team's 5-4 lead in the third quarter.

"It was an issue of timing, and an extremely subtle issue" said Marc Sevastopoulo '15.

"For the most part, Exeter's perimeter players held the ball, but they just saw the holes in our defense more quickly than we saw those holes," he continued. "They passed the ball to the two-meter player whenever he was in position, and we just didn't give defensive help to the two-meter defender as soon as we needed."

Entering the final quarter tied at 7-7, Andover managed to stay strong and fend off Exeter's attacks. In the last four minutes, Andover's attempt to even its 8-7 disadvantage bounced off the post, giving Exeter the opportunity to score a second unanswered goal.

"There were a lot of opportunities where we could've set the ball in the two-meter line where it's almost a guaranteed goal, but we weren't doing it as a team and we missed a lot of opportunities," said Cao.

He continued, "Additionally, we created a lot of bad opportunities, so we need to get used to recognizing how everyone is doing in the pool and working on team chemistry."

Despite the loss, the close score is indicative of Andover's potential.

"It is still very early in the season and not everyone has had a chance to play with each other, so we will only get better as the season goes on," said Yang. "Our offense and decision-making just need some work."

Andover Boys Water Polo remains optimistic and looks forward to its next game on Saturday against Brunswick.

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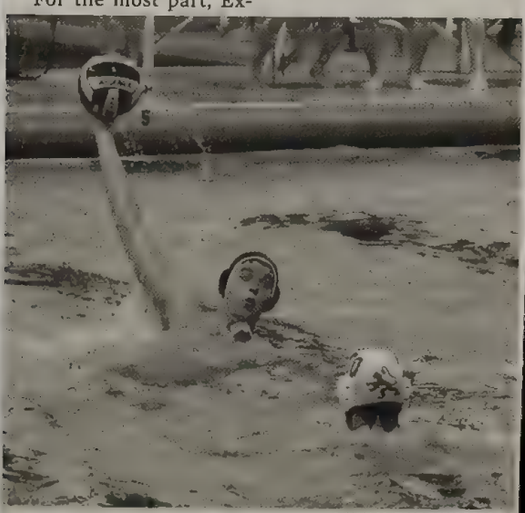

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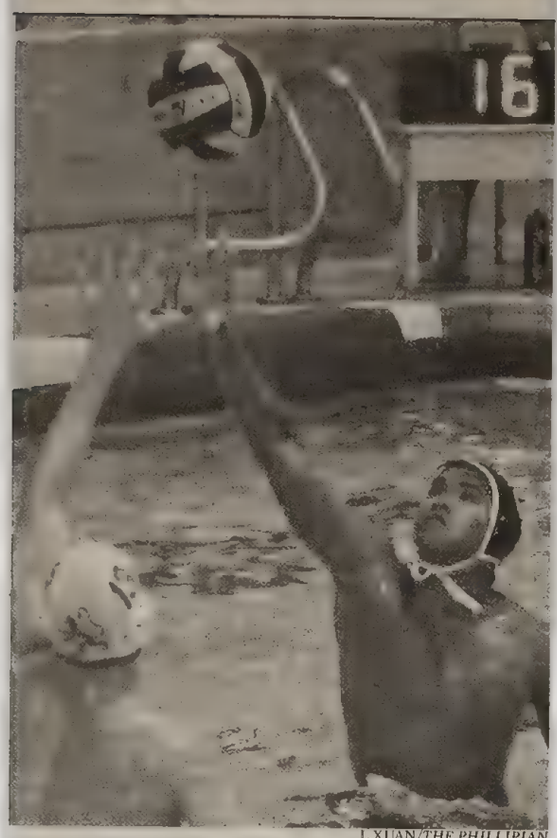
Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 winds up for a pass.



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Joe Faller '14 launches a shot over a Brusnwick defender.

Double Overtime Loss to Runners-Up

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With four seconds left on the clock, Nick Faulkner '16 launched a pass from Rome Arnold '14 into Brunswick's goal, propelling Andover Boys Water Polo into sudden death overtime against Brunswick on Saturday.

In the final few minutes of the game, both teams struggled for control. After only two possessions in sudden death, Andover was overpowered and fell 9-10. However, the team views this loss to the New England Championship runner-ups as a valuable learning experience.

"[Brunswick] was playing more aggressive than we were," said David Cao '14. "So we stepped up our game and played more aggressively, and won back two points in the second quarter from a three point deficit."

Andover displayed great improvements against Brunswick; stronger team chemistry, better communication under pressure and most importantly, a newfound confidence that proved pivotal in the close game.

Marc Sevastopoulo '15 said, "Yesterday we showed that we have the confidence to take some risks. There were a lot more shots taken from outside the five-meter line, and on defense we went for more steals."

However, despite having an extra player in the water due to a foul by Brunswick, Andover could not capitalize, and the last-minute breakdown cost the team dearly. The game has shown that control of the ball will be crucial for success in the future.

"We still need to work on man up offense and man down defense as well as keeping control of the ball," said Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14.

"We should focus on converting our own fast breaks into goals scored," said Marc Sevastopoulo '15 in an e-mail to *The Phillipian*. "We stole the ball plenty in yesterday's game, but we often took too long to shoot the ball off the fast break or allowed Brunswick to steal it back from us."

He continued, "We also fouled too much on the perimeter, and those fouls allowed for Brunswick to take direct shots, many of which they scored."

Andover will work on reducing fouls in the coming weeks, such as turning the ball over and fouling. However, with a slew of varsity swimmers backing the team, Andover has the mechanics to do well with improved decision-making.

"Although we are 0-2, we have lost in very close games to the champions last year and the runner-ups from last year, Exeter and Brunswick. Moving forward we all feel confident that we can overcome our deficit," said Bouscaren.

Andover looks forward to its game against Williston this Saturday, hoping for its first win of the season.

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Double-Header Yields Double Wins

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	25
Williston	4
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Hotchkiss	1

Nick Faulkner '16 fired off three consecutive goals to start Andover Boys Water Polo's game against Williston Northampton on Saturday. Faulkner, who has had 11 goals this season, continued to dominate the pool and propelled the previous winless Andover team to victory in Saturday's game.

Andover's almost impenetrable defense proved crucial in its 25-4 and 24-1 doubleheader wins over Williston and Hotchkiss.

"The game on Saturday went extremely well," said Aaron Teo '15. "The team definitely performed better than in the previous two weeks. The team did exceptionally well on the defensive end and held the opponents to only five goals."

After close losses earlier in the season, Andover's work in practice gave it the strength to end the games well.

The team significantly tightened its defense, which in turn allowed it to capitalize on the opponents' errors.

"As the saying goes, a good offense starts with good defense, and that saying definitely proved correct last Saturday," said Teo.

"In addition to good defense, our communication in the pool was significantly better than in the past two games and this helped us to score off exclusions and counter attacks more," added Teo.

The team used its sizable leads to give less experienced players the chance to practice and gain valuable game experience. With just one large team this year instead of the usual Varsity and JV teams, depth will be a crucial factor in Andover's success.

"Both games this weekend were mainly counter-attack based, since we had a faster team than both Hotchkiss and Williston," said David Cao '14.

With two wins under its belt, Andover is more confident than ever in its ability to continue strengthening the team.

"It is great to be .500," said Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14. "Hopefully we can carry this momentum into the rest of the season."

"Looking forward, I really think that this year we have a solid chance at winning Andover's first ever championship," continued Cao. "We've definitely shown it in both the games against Exeter and Brunswick, and we can only get better from here on out."

Andover hopes for another win this Saturday against Choate.

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Travis Bouscaren '14 netted 7 goals this week.

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Boys Break .500 For First Time Since 2011

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	16
Choate	9

In the third quarter of Andover Boys Water Polo's game against Choate on Saturday, Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14 whipped three back-to-back shots past Choate's goalie to cement Andover's third consecutive win.

Andover's strong defense propelled the team to a 16-9 victory. The win pushed the team's record over .500 for the first time in almost two years and marked the first time in three years that Andover has defeated Choate.

"I think it's so cool to be above .500 since we weren't able to make it to the playoffs last year, and this being my and the majority of the team's last year, it's great to have that opportunity," said David Cao '14.

"I think it has been a great start to the season, having our only two losses to the defending champions and runners-up [of the New England Championships]," said Yang.

Yang's aggressive play and well-placed top corner shots were critical to widening the gap between Andover and Choate.

"It was a good close game for the first two quarters," said Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14. "In the third quarter we took it away with Andrew Yang. That gave us a promising lead. We held it out from there."

Andover never gave Choate an opportunity to come back, maintaining the especially tight defense it has shown throughwout the season.

"Our counter defense was very good, as well as our two meter defense. We shut down the two meter man on defense," continued Bouscaren.

"We came out sluggish, [but] after the half we stepped it up," said Yang. "Our defense has been our strong point throughout the past few games."

By denying Choate's scoring opportunities, Andover had room to try new strategies on offense.

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By drawing a double team, Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 set up Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14 for three unanswered goals.

Lineup Change Successful

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"Our ability to keep switching in and out our two-meter offense player helped our team succeed," said Bouscaren.

Veteran swimmer Aaron Teo '15 replaced the players typically at the two-meter position, Peter Fanikos '14, Nick Faulkner '16 and Bouscaren.

"During the Choate game Aaron excelled at two meters, [and] this is great because he is a very fast player," Bouscaren added. "This will give the team more options on the perimeter. He did not score, but he got the defender excluded, which is always helpful."

"This was a different strategy because you usually use your biggest, strongest kid [at the two-meter position]. It worked out very well. He drew a lot of exclusions that allowed us to have many scoring opportunities," said Yang.

With Teo in his new position, Andover surprised Choate and created opportunities on offense. Teo excelled at drawing fouls, which allowed Andover to work on its man up offense in a game situation.

Despite the victory, the team remains focused on future areas of improvement. "We can work on our awareness. There were a few mistakes that were avoidable. If we avoided these mistakes, we could have cracked the game open in the first or second quarter," said Yang.

"Our shot selection was pretty bad throughout the game," said Bouscaren. "Their goalie was very good at saving low corner shots. We kept shooting there [and] he made many great saves. All of our top corner shots went in; we could have had more of a blowout."

Andover looks to improve its mental toughness and maintain its momentum against Loomis at home this Saturday.

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Peter Fanikos '14 scored one of Andover's two goals in overtime against Loomis.

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WATERPOLO

Win Earns Playoff Bid

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Andover	15
Loomis	13

Andover	21
Suffield	5

After Nick Faulkner '16 ripped the ball into the goal with 15 seconds left on the clock in overtime, Loomis surged ahead to tie the game 13-13 with six seconds to spare. Despite Loomis's last second heroics to tie the game, Andover finished with a 15-13 victory.

Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14 and Peter Fanikos '14 netted the two unanswered goals in double overtime to secure the victory and a spot in the New England Championship play-offs for Andover.

"Loomis was a pretty even match for us, but after some key plays and communication, we were able to come out strong to win the game," said Darren Ty '16.

Holding one of the league's best records at 5-2, Loomis proved challenging throughout the game.

Although Andover led most of the game, Loomis capitalized on an exclusion and brought the score to 12-12 with 43 seconds left on the clock leading up to overtime.

Andover's offense took center stage to counteract Loomis in the close face-off, spearheaded by Faulkner and Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 with five goals and three goals respectively.

"Against Loomis, we did well working the ball around the perimeter and shooting from outside," said Faulkner.

"Initially on offense, our two meter play worked out very well and we managed to score several goals there," said Aaron Teo '15. "The team excelled in controlling the game and making good decisions."

Andover's offense continued its dominance against Suffield on Wednesday with a 21-5 victory.

Yang's three goals off of fast breaks coupled with three behind the back goals by Fanikos led Andover to victory.

"Andover did a good job controlling the ball and looking for the two-meter pass," said Scott Simpson '14.

"We really set up well and as a result could move

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the ball around well and make a lot of opportunities," said Joe Faller '14. "We could have been a little more aware of where the ball was on the longer passes and fast breaks."

On the other side of the pool, Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 played off blocks from goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14, dominating the water and rocketing goals off multiple fast breaks.

Andover's performance against Suffield on Wednesday resulted from lessons learned against Loomis. Although the team maintained a strong lead, Loomis took advantage of holes in Andover's defense and managed to turn the tables from 11-9 to 11-11 in the third quarter on Saturday.

Loomis changed up its defense to try and counter Andover's offensive dominance.

"We did not adapt particularly well to this defense and made a handful of errors. We struggled mostly with communication and awareness in the last quarter of the game," said Teo.

However, with a five-game win streak under its belt, Andover looks to continue its momentum against St. John's Prep this Saturday and the New England Championships at the end of the season.

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Joe Faller '14 was a threat on offense against Loomis.

Boys Ride 7-Game Wave of Victory

By Ryan Simard
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Andover	26
St. John's	4

Nick Faulkner '16 and Marc Sevastapoulo '15 whipped shot after shot past the St. John's goalie last Saturday. The two combined for 12 goals in Andover's 26-4 win.

"St. John's is not in our league, so going into the game we all felt relaxed," said Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14. "Not to say we weren't pumped for the game, but there was less pressure on us, which I believe made us play better."

"Although we ended up winning very handsomely, we all learned that we play better water polo when we focus less on purely winning and instead focus on playing the best water polo we can," he added.

Andover put on a show for the families that came to watch Andover play St. John's at home. Tallying up a season high of 26 points while restraining St. John's to a mere four goals, Andover excelled both offensively and defensively.

Goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 stopped ten of the St. John's shots. Boasting a 71.4 save percentage, Arnold prevented St. John's from gaining the lead throughout the entire game.

"The game went very well overall. We were missing Scott [Simpson '14] and Joe [Faller '14], and so we knew that we were missing some speed," said Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14. Yang scored two goals in the win.

Andover quickly adjusted to the slower style of game play to cruise to its sixth straight win.

"We made up for [the lack of players] with defense and good ball-handling," continued Yang.

Andover once again excelled in its two-meter offense with eight different players contributing to the goal tally.

Chandler Washburn '16 and Peter Fanikos '14 snatched one goal each, and Bouscaren also added two goals.

David Cao '14 and David Cho '14 both tallied four goals.

As the game's leading goal scorer, Faulkner put up seven goals and Sevastopoulo followed with five. Both players outscored the entire St. John's team alone.

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Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 rocketed two shots past St John's Prep's defense en route to a 26-4 victory.

The win propels the team to a stellar 6-2 season record. After the game against Deerfield this Saturday, Andover will begin to prepare for the biggest game of its season against Exeter next Wednesday. Andover has shown that it can win close games and put away less competitive ones.

"We've all been training hard, and I'm excited to see just how much our team has improved," said Faller. "Our water polo program hasn't won a single game against Exeter for quite a few years now, so it'd be pretty legendary to be that class that puts us back up on the board," he added.

In the playoffs, Andover will play teams that as skilled as Exeter. This game will be an indicator of what Andover still needs to improve on in order to perform at a higher level.

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WATER POLO

Two Losses Endanger Final Four Bid

By Ryan Simard
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Andover	3
Exeter	10

Andover	4
Deerfield	13

After three scoreless first quarters, Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 ripped through the water on a fast break to nail a goal against Exeter in the fourth quarter on Wednesday. Despite radically improved play with another two goals from Nick Faulkner '16, Andover Boys Water Polo fell 10-3 to Exeter.

Andover hoped to take advantage of its rematch against Exeter after a close 7-9 loss in its first game of the season, but Andover struggled to recognize Exeter's strategic plays and to capitalize on scoring opportunities.

"We lacked intensity and struggled on offense. Overall, we were just unable to cope with their style of play, costing us many goals," said Aaron Teo '15.

"We had one of our worse games of the season, which was disappointing, especially given the timing of the game, very close to the playoffs," said Bouscaren.

Wednesday's game followed a 13-4 loss to Deerfield on Saturday. After Boys Water Polo took a detour on its way to Deerfield to pick up JV Football, Andover started slow and struggled to gain momentum.

"Due to [the stop], our warm-up was very rushed and the refs started the game as we were still preparing," said Bouscaren.

"We were all feeling lethargic after the long bus ride and due to the lack of warm-up we came out in the second quarter not prepared for the physical game," he continued.

Despite two consecutive losses, Andover is still among eight teams in the play-offs for the Final Four Tournament. Andover remains hopeful after improvements in performance in both games.

"Instead of going to Travis all the time, most of the kids are able to step up themselves and score now," said David Cao '14.

After its game against Hopkins this Saturday, Andover will travel to Exeter once again to bid for a spot in the Final Four Tournament next Wednesday.

"We are all excited about the possibility to play in the Final Four, something Andover has not done in a while," said Bouscaren.

He added, "We plan on working as hard as we can in these upcoming practices to do everything we can to come prepared and take revenge on the teams we have lost to, Brunswick, Deerfield and Exeter, which we will hopefully play again in the tournament."

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Boys Water Polo celebrates its first Championship in its 20 year history.

First New England Title In Team's History

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	12
Loomis	10
Andover	10
Brunswick	8
Andover	6
Exeter	5

With two seconds left on the clock, Nick Faulkner '16 launched the ball straight up in the air. By the time the ball had returned to the pool at the end of its fall, it was too late for Phillips Exeter Academy. Andover Boys Water Polo had made history, winning 6-5 and earning the team's first ever New England water polo title.

With the score tied at the end of the third quarter, Co-Captain Travis Bouscaren '14 put Andover up 5-4 with nailed a shot after just 16 seconds of play in the fourth quarter.

With just over a minute left in the clock, Bouscaren connected with fellow Co-Captain Andrew Yang '14 as he sprinted up the pool. At the five-meter mark, Yang rocketed a shot past the Exeter goalie.

Exeter responded with a goal seconds later, but in the last minute, goalkeeper Rome Arnold '14 came up with a speedy save and Andover was able to retain possession to guarantee the 6-5 win.

"It was an amazing experience to win the Championships for the first time. Although we were the underdog in the tournament, we still knew that this was our best chance to win the Championships, so we all put pressure on ourselves to perform and it ended up working out," said Bouscaren.

Recording 20 saves and an 80 percent save percentage in the championship game, Arnold was named to All-Tournament Goalie despite playing through intense pain.

As Andover had lost to Exeter twice during the regular season, Arnold adjusted his goalkeeping strategy accordingly.

"I basically just told myself that if I could put a hand on the ball, I would not let it in the goal. I had slightly tweaked my strategy for saves, putting way more pressure on my legs and taking it away from my shoulders, but it made my hands significantly quicker," said Arnold.

"It also resulted in some of the worst leg cramps I've ever had, starting about 30 seconds into the fourth quarter. I even cramped up again while walking over to receive my All-Tournament Trophy for Goalie," continued Arnold.

"In the Exeter game, we just relaxed and played a tight press defensive which was a different strategy from last time we played them. We trusted our two-meter defense and just tried to press the perimeter which created steals and fast breaks," said Bouscaren.

Bouscaren received tournament's most valuable player award as a result of his 15 goals spanning all three games this weekend. Yang and Faulkner were also chosen for the All-Tournament Team.

"Winning MVP was extraordinary. Although the team championship means so much more, I was thrilled to be recognized as the MVP of the tournament, but I was definitely more excited to win as a team," said Bouscaren.

"We had nothing to lose so we played very fluidly and without the pressure that Brunswick or Exeter may have faced as the number one seed or the defending champions," said Yang.

The team first beat Loomis 12-10 on Friday; Bouscaren tallied nine goals in the game. Then, Andover toppled number one seed Brunswick 10-8. Andover's win over Exeter was the first in five years.

"Going into the tournament, we knew we were

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the underdogs, and really embracing that mindset allowed us to play two of the best games we have played all season," said Yang.

Bouscaren said, "Leading up to our Loomis game, we had a couple tough losses, so I knew that I had to lead the team in that game to regain our confidence, and after that everyone stepped up in the next games."

The thrill and anticipation of the fans brought energy to the team. With the hope of advancing and possibly playing Exeter, the intensity was high.

"In the Brunswick game, at around halftime, all of the Andover fans arriving on the buses piled into the stadium and cheered us to victory," said Bouscaren. "I have never played a game where there was that much intensity, not only by the fans, but because of the fans we all picked up on their excitement after big plays."

Although the crowd played a major role in propelling the team to victory, there is no replacement for an inspiring coach.

"Coach Fox deserves full and total credit for our performance. He managed to keep us relaxed yet excited going into the game," said Arnold.

"His greatest contribution, however, was a timeout call early in the game when we were down just 2-0. The timeout let us recover our strength, and the short speech he gave quickly re-inspired each and every one of us to push ourselves to do anything to win," Arnold continued.

"This year we focused more on strategy and actual play rather than conditioning that we'd been focusing on in previous years," said Chris Li '15 who has played on the team since his Junior year. "Basically we were more prepared to play in a game. We also only graduated two Seniors last year, so we had a more experienced roster."

With the win, the 2013 season Boys Water Polo team will have its name in the record books.

"We just gave every ounce of energy and excitement, and over the course of 24 hours we pulled out three straight victories, two of which were seeding upsets. I can't describe how proud I am to be a part of this team," said Marc Sevastopoulo '15.

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Friday, December 6

Basketball BV	St. Paul's	5:00	A
Hockey BV	**Brewster Academy**	**5:15**	**H**
Hockey GV	**B.B.&N.**	**5:15**	**H**

Saturday, December 7

Basketball BV	Pingree	3:15	A
Squash BJV1	**Tabor**	**3:30**	**H**
Squash BV	**Tabor**	**3:30**	**H**
Wrestling V	Noble & Greenough	3:30	A
Hockey BV	**Pomfret**	**3:45**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Chelmsford HS**	**4:15**	**H**
Swimming & Diving BV	Suffield/Peddie	4:45	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Suffield/Peddie	4:45	A
Basketball GV	**Choate**	**5:15**	**H** Game
Squash GV	**Milton**	**5:30**	**H** Scrim

Monday, December 9

Squash BV	Belmont Hill	4:30	A Scrim
Hockey BV	**St. Paul's**	**5:15**	**H**

Wednesday, December 11

Nordic Skiing	Holderness	2:45	A
Indoor Track BV	**Governor's/Wilbraham/Hyde (ME)**	**3:00**	**H**
Indoor Track GV	**Governor's/Wilbraham/Hyde (ME)**	**3:00**	**H**
Hockey GV	**Winchendon**	**3:15**	**H**

Thursday, December 12

Squash BV	**Brooks**	**4:00**	**H**

Friday, December 13

Squash BJV1	**Fessenden**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey GJV	Brooks	4:30	A
Hockey BV	**New Hampton**	**5:15**	**H**

Saturday, December 14

Wrestling V	North Andover Duals	10:00	A
Basketball BJV1	**St John's Prep**	**1:30**	**H**
Squash GV	Groton	1:30	A
Wrestling JV	SPS/Hyde (ME)/N.M.H./Hyde (CT)/Card.	2:30	A
Basketball GV	**Loomis**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	**Loomis**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey GV	**N.M.H.**	**3:45**	**H**
Basketball BV	Roundball Classic	4:15	A

Sunday, December 15

Hockey BV	Pingree	3:00	A
Basketball BV	Roundball Classic	5:45	A

Monday, December 16

Squash GV	Brooks	4:15	A
Squash GJV1	Brooks	4:15	A
Hockey GV	**NEWHL Pre-Prep**	**6:30**	**H**

Tuesday, December 17

Hockey BV	Groton	4:30	A

Wednesday, December 18

Hockey GV	Taft	2:30	A
Basketball BV	**St. Andrew's School**	**4:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	**Shawsheen Tech**	**4:30**	**H**

Thursday, December 19

Hockey GV	Tabor at Taft	8:30	A
Hockey GV	Taft at Taft	1:45	A
Basketball GV	Rivers	3:00	A

Friday, December 20

Hockey GV	Kent at Taft	10:15	A
Hockey BV	Flood-Marr	1:00	A
Basketball BV	Seacoast Challenge, Exeter	3:00	A
Basketball GV	Rivers	3:00	A

Saturday, December 21

Basketball BV	Seacoast Challenge	10:00	A
Hockey BV	Flood-Marr, Westminster	11:00	A
Basketball GV	Rivers	12:00	A
Basketball BV	Seacoast Challenge	1:30	A
Hockey BV	Flood-Marr, Hotchkiss	7:00	A

Sunday, December 22

Hockey BV	Flood-Marr	9:00	A

Wednesday, January 8

Nordic Skiing	Proctor	2:45	A
Basketball BV	Exeter	3:15	A
Squash BJV1	**Deerfield**	**3:30**	**H**
Squash BV	**Deerfield**	**3:30**	**H**
Squash GJV1	Winsor	3:30	A
Squash GV	Winsor	3:30	A
Hockey BV	Tilton	3:45	A
Basketball GV	Brewster Academy	4:00	A
Hockey GV	Dexter Southfield School	4:45	A

Friday, January 10

Squash BJV1	Groton	4:30	A
Squash BV	Groton	4:30	A
Squash GJV2	**Groton**	**4:30**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Milton**	**5:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	N.M.H.	6:00	A
Hockey GV	Brewster Academy	6:30	A

Saturday, January 11

Wrestling V	**Deerfield/Hyde (CT)/Hyde (ME)**	**12:00**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	Milton	1:00	A
Basketball GV	Milton	1:00	A
Squash GJV2	**Deerfield**	**1:00**	**H**
Squash BV	Middlesex	1:30	A
Squash BJV1	Middlesex	1:30	A
Hockey GJV	Tabor	2:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Loomis	2:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Loomis	2:00	A
Basketball BJV1	Tabor	2:30	A
Basketball BV	Tabor	2:30	A
Squash BJV2	**Middlesex**	**2:30**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	N.M.H.	3:00	A
Basketball GJV2	N.M.H.	3:00	A
Squash GV	Taft/Loomis/PEA	3:00	A
Swimming & Diving JV	**Eaglebrook School**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey BJV	Deerfield	4:30	A
Hockey BV	Exeter	4:30	A
Hockey GV	St. Paul's	4:30	A

Wednesday, January 15

Basketball GJV2	Groton	2:45	A
Nordic Skiing	Holderness	2:45	A
Hockey GJV	St. Mark's	3:00	A
Hockey GV	Lawrence Academy	3:00	A
Squash BJV2	**Brooks**	**3:00**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	**Thayer**	**3:15**	**H**
Hockey BV	**St. Sebastian's**	**3:15**	**H**
Basketball BV	Governor's Academy	3:30	A
Squash GJV1	Tabor	3:30	A
Squash GV	Tabor	3:30	A
Wrestling V	Tabor	3:30	A
Basketball BJV2	Pingree	4:00	A
Hockey BJV	St. Sebastian's	4:30	A
Squash GJV2	Middlesex	4:30	A
Basketball GV	**Thayer**	**4:45**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Chelmsford HS**	**6:15**	**H**

Friday, January 17

Squash BJV2	Groton	4:15	A
Squash BJV1	**St. Mark's**	**4:45**	**H**
Squash BV	**St. Mark's**	**4:45**	**H**
Hockey BV	Thayer	5:30	A

Saturday, January 18

Squash BJV1	**Noble & Greenough**	**1:00**	**H**
Squash BV	**Noble & Greenough**	**1:00**	**H**
Hockey GJV	Exeter	2:00	A
Wrestling V	BH/Loomis/RL	2:00	A
Basketball BJV1	Deerfield	2:15	A
Basketball BJV2	**Deerfield**	**2:15**	**H**
Basketball BV	Deerfield	2:15	A
Basketball GJV1	**Deerfield**	**2:15**	**H**
Hockey GV	**St. Mark's**	**2:30**	**H**
Wrestling JV	**St. Paul's**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash GJV1	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Squash GJV2	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Squash GV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Swimming & Diving BV	**N.M.H.**	**3:00**	**H**
Swimming & Diving GV	**N.M.H.**	**3:00**	**H**
Hockey BJV	St. Paul's	3:15	A
Indoor Track BJV	**Central Catholic/Wilbraham**	**3:30**	**H**
Indoor Track BV	**Central Catholic/Wilbraham**	**3:30**	**H**
Indoor Track GJV	**Central Catholic/Wilbraham**	**3:30**	**H**
Indoor Track GV	**Central Catholic/Wilbraham**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GV	**Deerfield**	**4:15**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Noble & Greenough**	**4:30**	**H**

Sunday, January 19

Indoor Track BV	GBTC—Open Invitational	10:00	A
Indoor Track GV	GBTC—Open Invitational	10:00	A

Wednesday, January 22

Nordic Skiing	St. Paul's	2:00	A
Hockey GJV	**Governor's Academy**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash GJV2	Groton	2:30	A
Squash GJV1	**Groton**	**3:00**	**H**
Squash GV	**Groton**	**3:00**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Tilton**	**3:15**	**H**
Indoor Track BJV	**Andover HS/Wilbraham**	**3:15**	**H**
Indoor Track BV	**Andover HS/Wilbraham**	**3:15**	**H**
Indoor Track GJV	**Andover HS/Wilbraham**	**3:15**	**H**
Indoor Track GV	**Andover HS/Wilbraham**	**3:15**	**H**
Squash BJV1	St. Paul's	3:15	A
Squash BV	St. Paul's	3:15	A
Wrestling JV	**Belmont Hill**	**3:15**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Cushing**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	Fessenden	3:30	A
Basketball BV	**Cushing**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GV	Noble & Greenough	3:30	A
Hockey GV	Cushing	3:30	A
Swimming & Diving JV	**Berwick Academy**	**4:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	**Worcester**	**4:00**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Winchendon**	**4:15**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	Noble & Greenough	5:00	A

Friday, January 24

Basketball GJV1	Governor's Academy	4:30	A
Squash BJV2	**Noble & Greenough**	**4:45**	**H**
Basketball BV	Worcester	6:00	A

Saturday, January 25

Basketball BJV2	**Central Catholic**	**2:00**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Andover HS**	**2:00**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Belmont Hill**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash GJV1	Middlesex	2:45	A
Squash GV	Middlesex	2:45	A
Swimming & Diving JV	**Thayer**	**3:30**	**H**
Wrestling V	Tilton	3:30	A
Basketball GJV2	**Pingree**	**3:45**	**H**
Hockey GJV	**Deerfield**	**4:00**	**H**
Hockey GV	**Deerfield**	**4:00**	**H**
Squash BV	**Westminster/Choate/BH**	**4:00**	**H**
Wrestling JV	**St. Paul's/Hyde (ME)/N.M.H./Milton**	**4:00**	**H**
Basketball GV	**Worcester**	**4:15**	**H**
Hockey BV	Loomis	4:15	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Deerfield	4:30	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Deerfield	4:30	A

Sunday, January 26

Wrestling Girls	**Girls Tournament**	**10:00**	**H**

Wednesday, January 29

Hockey GJV	**Middlesex**	**2:15**	**H**
Nordic Skiing	N.M.H.	2:45	A
Squash BJV1	Exeter	2:45	A
Squash BJV2	Exeter	2:45	A
Squash BV	Exeter	2:45	A
Hockey GV	Exeter	3:00	A
Indoor Track BV	**Governor's/Hyde (CT)**	**3:15**	**H**
Indoor Track GV	**Governor's/Hyde (CT)**	**3:15**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	**Chelmsford HS**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GJV2	**Chelmsford HS**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Deerfield**	**4:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	Governor's Academy	4:00	A
Squash GV	**Deerfield**	**4:15**	**H**
Basketball GV	Brooks	4:30	A
Swimming & Diving JV	**Winsor**	**4:30**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Minuteman Flames**	**6:15**	**H**

Friday, January 31

Hockey GJV	Lawrence Academy	4:30	A
Squash BJV1	**Brooks**	**4:30**	**H**
Squash BV	Brooks	4:30	A
Squash GJV1	**Brooks**	**4:30**	**H**
Squash GV	Brooks	4:30	A
Basketball GJV2	**Groton**	**4:45**	**H**
Hockey BV	Belmont Hill	5:00	A
Hockey BJV	**Belmont Hill**	**5:05**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Thayer**	**5:30**	**H**

Saturday, February 1

Wrestling V	Northerns	9:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Hopkins	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Hopkins	1:00	A
Basketball GJV2	**Tabor**	**1:00**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Worcester**	**1:30**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	Exeter	1:30	A
Basketball GV	Exeter	1:30	A
Squash GJV1	**Noble & Greenough**	**1:30**	**H**
Squash GV	**Noble & Greenough**	**1:30**	**H**
Basketball BV	St. Sebastian's	2:30	A
Hockey GV	**New Hampton**	**3:30**	**H**
Wrestling JV	**N.M.H./Card/Hyde (CT)/Eagle Hill**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Dexter Southfield School**	**5:30**	**H**

Monday, February 3

Squash GJV2	Brooks	4:30	A
Hockey GJV	**Pike School**	**4:45**	**H**
Hockey GV	Brooks	5:15	A

Wednesday, February 5

Nordic Skiing	Vermont Academy	2:45	A
Squash GJV2	**St. Mark's**	**2:45**	**H**

Indoor Track BJV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Indoor Track GJV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Squash BJV2	Belmont Hill	3:00	A
Wrestling V	Exeter	3:00	A
Basketball BV	**Tabor**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GV	Tabor	3:30	A
Hockey GJV	**Milton**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey GV	**Tabor**	**3:30**	**H**
Hockey BV	K.U.A.	4:00	A
Squash BJV1	St. George's	4:00	A
Squash BV	St. George's	4:00	A
Wrestling JV	Exeter	4:00	A
Basketball GJV2	**Berwick Academy**	**4:15**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Andover HS**	**5:30**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Governor's Academy**	**5:30**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	**Andover HS**	**5:45**	**H**

Friday, February 7

Wrestling V	Interscholastics Class A	9:00	A
Basketball GJV2	**Austin Prep**	**3:15**	**H**
Hockey GJV	**Austin Prep**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	**Rivers**	**4:15**	**H**
Squash GJV2	**Middlesex**	**4:30**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	**Belmont Hill**	**5:00**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**St. John's Prep**	**5:15**	**H**
Basketball GV	Holderness	5:30	A
Hockey GV	Governor's Academy	6:00	A
Squash BV	High School Nationals	6:00	A
Squash GV	High School Nationals	6:00	A
Hockey BV	**Governor's Academy**	**6:15**	**H**

Saturday, February 8

Wrestling V	Interscholastics Class A	9:00	A
Squash BV	High School Nationals	6:00	A
Squash GV	High School Nationals	6:00	A

Sunday, February 9

Squash BV	High School Nationals	6:00	A
Squash GV	High School Nationals	6:00	A

Wednesday, February 12

Nordic Skiing	NEPSAC Championship	10:00	A
Squash BJV2	Brooks	2:15	A
Indoor Track BJV	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Indoor Track BV	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Indoor Track GJV	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Indoor Track GV	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash GJV1	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**
Squash GV	**St. Paul's**	**3:00**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	**B.B.&N.**	**3:15**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Cushing**	**3:15**	**H**
Hockey GJV	St. Paul's	3:15	A
Hockey GV	Noble & Greenough	3:15	A
Basketball BJV1	Worcester	3:30	A
Basketball GV	**B.B.&N.**	**4:45**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Austin Prep**	**5:30**	**H**

Thursday, February 13

Basketball BJV1	**Brooks**	**4:45**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Brooks**	**4:45**	**H**

Friday, February 14

Squash BJV1	**Belmont Hill**	**3:30**	**H**
Squash BJV2	**Belmont Hill**	**3:30**	**H**
Wrestling V	New Englands	4:00	A
Basketball BJV2	Belmont Hill	4:30	A
Squash BV	Concord Academy	4:45	A
Hockey GV	**Milton**	**5:30**	**H**
Basketball GV	**N.M.H.**	**6:00**	**H**
Hockey BJV	**Tabor**	**6:30**	**H**
Hockey BV	Tabor	6:30	A

Saturday, February 15

Squash BJV2	Deerfield/Choate	12:30	A
Squash GJV1	Milton	12:30	A
Squash GJV2	Deerfield/Choate	12:30	A
Squash GV	Milton/Choate	12:30	A
Basketball GJV2	**Tabor**	**1:00**	**H**
Basketball BJV1	**Lawrence Academy**	**1:30**	**H**
Swimming & Diving JV	**St John's Prep**	**1:30**	**H**
Swimming & Diving BV	Exeter	2:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Exeter	2:00	A
Hockey GJV	**New Hampton**	**3:00**	**H**
Hockey BV	Brooks	4:00	A
Wrestling V	New Englands	6:00	A

Sunday, February 16

Indoor Track BV	USATF—NE Championship	9:00	A
Indoor Track GV	USATF—NE Championship	9:00	A

Wednesday, February 19

Basketball BJV1	**Exeter**	**2:15**	**H**
Basketball BJV2	Brooks	2:15	A
Squash BJV1	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash BJV2	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Squash BV	**Exeter**	**2:30**	**H**
Basketball GV	Rivers	2:45	A
Nordic Skiing	Lakes Region Championship	2:45	A
Squash GJV1	Exeter	2:45	A
Squash GJV2	Exeter	2:45	A
Squash GV	Exeter	2:45	A
Hockey BJV	**Exeter**	**3:00**	**H**
Basketball GJV2	**Milton**	**3:15**	**H**
Hockey GV	**Westminster**	**4:00**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Deerfield**	**4:15**	**H**
Hockey BV	N.M.H.	4:30	A
Hockey GJV	**Exeter**	**5:00**	**H**
Basketball GJV1	**Exeter**	**6:00**	**H**

Thursday, February 20

Wrestling V	Nationals (Lehigh)	12:00	A
Intramural Basketball	**Championship**	**3:15**	**H**
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A

Friday, February 21

Squash BV	Interscholastics	12:00	A
Wrestling V	Nationals (Lehigh)	12:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A

Saturday, February 22

Squash BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A
Squash GV	Interscholastics	10:00	A
Wrestling JV	Tournament	10:00	A
Alumni Hockey	**Alumni**	**12:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	Nationals (Lehigh)	12:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Hockey GV	**Exeter**	**2:00**	**H**
Swimming & Diving JV	**Exeter**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Exeter**	**4:00**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Exeter**	**4:15**	**H**
Basketball GV	**Exeter**	**6:00**	**H**

Sunday, February 23

Squash BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A
Squash GV	Interscholastics	8:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A

Saturday, March 1

Swimming & Diving GV	Interscholastics	9:00	A

Sunday, March 2

Swimming & Diving BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A

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Saturday, February 22

Squash BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A
Squash GV	Interscholastics	10:00	A
Wrestling JV	Tournament	10:00	A
Alumni Hockey	**Alumni**	**12:00**	**H**
Wrestling V	Nationals (Lehigh)	12:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Hockey GV	**Exeter**	**2:00**	**H**
Swimming & Diving JV	**Exeter**	**3:30**	**H**
Basketball BV	**Exeter**	**4:00**	**H**
Hockey BV	**Exeter**	**4:15**	**H**
Basketball GV	**Exeter**	**6:00**	**H**

Sunday, February 23

Squash BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A
Squash GV	Interscholastics	8:00	A
Swimming & Diving BV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A
Swimming & Diving GV	Easterns @ LaSalle	1:00	A

Saturday, March 1

Swimming & Diving GV	Interscholastics	9:00	A

Sunday, March 2

Swimming & Diving BV	Interscholastics	9:00	A

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Team Results Winter 2014

Basketball BV	9-12-0	
Basketball GV	6-12-0	
Hockey BV	16-7-4	
Hockey GV	5-14-3	
Squash BV	8-9-0	High School Nat'ls Div. 3 Champions
Squash GV	13-4-0	High School Nat'ls Div. 2 Champions
Swimming BV	7-1-0	New England Champions
Swimming GV	5-3-0	New Eng. Championship runner-up
Wrestling V	10-6-0	

Sport: Boys Varsity Basketball

Year: 2014

Captain: Jacob Howell

Coach: Terrell Ivory

Assistant Coaches: Dan Schneider, Damany Fisher

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Adigwe, Kenechukwu
Alperin, Eric
Devlin, Gregory
Glazer, Samuel
Hamel, Andrew
Heneghan, Sierra
Hohlstein, Christopher
Hosman, Matthew
Howell, Jacob
Ilalio, Matthew
Meehan, Nathaniel
Michel, Brandon
Reavis, Andrew
Rush, Robert
Weber, Kurtis

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Varsity Basketball
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Ht.	Wgt.	Hometown
1	Alperin, Eric	2015	6'2	175	Pacific Palisades, CA
3	Adigwe, Kenechukwu	2014	5'10	160	Lowell, MA
4	Meehan, Nathaniel	2014	6'1	165	Lowell, MA
5	Devlin, Gregory	2014	5'10	145	Westford, MA
10	Ilalio, Matthew	2014	5'8	195	Anchorage, AK
11	Glazer, Samuel	2015	6'2	180	Guilford, CT
12	Wright, Germaine	2015	5'10	165	Bronx, NY
13	Reavis, Andrew	2017	6'3	190	Miami, OK
23	Hohlstein, Christopher	2014	6'3	195	Atlanta, GA
25	Michel, Brandon	2014	5'11	160	San Diego, CA
33	Howell, Jacob*	2014	6'3	195	Boxford, MA
35	Rush, Robert	2014	5'9	150	Bronx, NY
41	Hosman, Matthew	2015	5'10	165	Peabody, MA
41	Weber, Kurtis	2015	6'3	200	Winchester, MA
55	Hamel, Andrew	2014	6'7	260	Methuen, MA

**Captain*

Coach: Terrell Ivory

Assistant Coaches: Dan Schneider, Damany Fisher

Managers: Sierra Heneghan '14, Marjorie Kozloff '14, Isabel Taylor '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/6 @ 5:00 PM	St. Paul's		Game	W 60 - 46
12/7 @ 3:15 PM	Pingree		Game	W 67 -54
12/14 @ 3:15 PM	Roundball Classic- Milton		Game	W 53-36
12/18 @ 4:00 PM	St. Andrew's School	H	Game	L 54 - 74
12/20 @ 2:45 PM	Seacoast Challenge - Milton		Game	W 51 - 49
12/21 @ 10:00 AM	Seacoast Challenge- Hotchkiss		Game	L 42 - 54
12/21 @ 1:30 PM	Seacoast Challenge - Trinity Pawling		Game	L 50 - 56
1/8 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter		Game	L 47 - 55
1/10 @ 6:00 PM	Milton	H	Game	W 68-53
1/11 @ 2:30 PM	Tabor		Game	L 43 - 69
1/15 @ 3:30 PM	Governor's Academy		Game	W 59 - 50
1/22 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing	H	Game	L 44 - 60
1/24 @ 5:30 PM	Worcester		Game	L 57 - 74
1/29 @ 4:30 PM	Tilton		Game	L 56 - 90
1/31 @ 5:30 PM	Thayer	H	Game	W 55 - 35
2/1 @ 2:30 PM	St. Sebastian's		Game	W 58 - 44
2/5 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor- CANCELED	H	Game	
2/14 @ 6:00 PM	Deerfield Academy		Game	L 47 - 55
2/17 @ 4:45 PM	Brooks School	H	Game	L 50 - 58
2/19 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	W 49-42
2/22 @ 4:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 61-70 (OT)
2/26 @ 4:30 PM	Hotchkiss		Tournament	L 50-53

Highlights

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/6/2013 12:00 PM		Game		60 - 46

Andover starts the season with a victory over St. Paul's
At one point Andover pushed the lead to double figures in the first half before St. Paul's closed the lead to 2 before halftime. In the second half Andover pulled away from St. Paul's with about 5 minutes to go in the game. Eric Alperin led the team in scoring with 17 points. Brandon Michel played excellent defense and led the team in steals (5).

Pingree

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/7/2013 10:15 AM		Game		67 -54

Andover starts the season 2 - 0!
After a slow start, Andover came together to build a 13 point lead going into the halftime break. Great team defense and balanced scoring allowed Andover to maintain its 13 point advantage until the end of the game.

Roundball Classic- Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/14/2013 10:15 AM		Game	Babson College	53-36

Phillips Andover 53 Milton Academy 36

Andover used a stifling 1-3-1 defense and a deep collection of three-point shooters to control Saturday's contest against Milton. Eric Alperin set the tone with his tenacity and playmaking at the point while Brandon Michel anchored the team on the defensive end of the floor. Sam Glazer made a number of crafty passes off the dribble while Jacob Howell contributed with his ability to stretch the floor from beyond the three-point line.
Alec Brennan led Milton in scoring with 10 points, including a thunderous tip dunk while sophomore point guard Johnny Blaize showed flashes of his talent and potential, mixing in strong drives and pull-ups alike.
http://www.newenglandrecruitingreport.com/news/article/3348/Scholar-Roundball-Classic-Saturday-Recap.php

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Alperin Drops 17 Points In Season Opener

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	60
St. Paul's	46

Andover	67
Pingree	54

This winter, Andover Boys Basketball Captain Jake Howell '14 will lead a talented and experienced group of players, who hope to improve upon last season's 6-15 record.

The team took a hit when four of last year's starters—Rory Ziomek '13, Sahil Bhaiwála '13, JJ Hayward '13 and Brendan O'Connell '13—left for college. Players like Howell, sharpshooter Greg Devlin '14, power forward Nate Meehan '14 and shifty guard Kene Adigwe '14 are ready to take the reins as the leaders of the team, however.

The 2012-2013 season was Head Coach Terrell Ivory's first year coaching the team, and he hopes to learn from his experience last season.

"The biggest thing I learned was how talented the other teams in the league are and how good the other players on the teams are. One of the things I loved about the team last year was that they played hard and they did everything that I asked them to do. But sometimes, we went up against teams that were more talented than us," said Ivory.

New Upper Eric Alperin '15 looks to add an element of explosiveness to the team as point guard, while Germaine Wright '15 will play a bigger role on the team at guard.

Post-Graduates Matt Ilalio '14 and Brandon Michel '14, who both impressed on the football field this fall, will try to do the same on the basketball court.

"Our Captain, Jake [Howell] is a great leader, not only with the way he plays on the court, but also with his words. I would say the same thing about Matt Ilalio and Brandon Michel. Those are new guys to the team, but I think because of their personalities, they have done a good job of blending in with the rest of the guys. It's like they've been playing together for multiple years," said Ivory.

Already the team has displayed its potential, jumping out to a hot start and winning its first two games against St. Paul's and Pingree, 60-46 and 67-54, respectively.

Alperin led the team in scoring against St. Paul's with 17 points, propelling Andover to its first win of the season.

"We really stepped up our game in the second half. We forced them into a lot of turnovers, and we ended the game on a 20-6 run. I think at one point it was tied at 40, but when we stepped up the defense and started pressing and creating turnovers, we converted off those turnovers," said Devlin, who finished the game with seven points.

While Andover wasn't particularly efficient from the field, shooting 40 percent, the players sunk most of their free throws, going 74 percent from the line. Andover also outrebounded St. Paul's 23-21 and managed to stay out of foul trouble.

Against Pingree, Howell and Michel scored 11 points each, but it was a defense adjustment that gave Andover the victory.

"The key against Pingree was switching to a 1-3-1 zone defense. When we were playing man, they were kind of running right through us. But when we switched, we confused them, and then we took a big lead. Also, hitting our free throws down the stretch was huge in terms of clinching the game," Devlin said.

Alperin was a perfect six-for-six from the free throw line, and the team as a whole shot 84 percent from the stripe, in addition to shooting 45 percent from the field.

"Last year, we competed with teams that we couldn't compete with on paper. Now, we are more talented on paper. But we still have to play hard and execute offensively and defensively, and if we do that, we'll compete against teams that are really talented," said Ivory.

With these two wins under its belt and a stacked roster full of returners and promising newcomers, the team's hopes for a successful season look bright. The real test, however, will come Saturday when Andover takes on 3-0 Blair Academy in what will be one of the team's toughest game of the season.

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Captain Jake Howell '14 scored 11 points against Pingree.

Team-First Mentality Leads to Victories

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With the score knotted at 49 points apiece and four seconds remaining, Kene Adigwe '14 received an inbound pass around half court, drove down the left side of the court, and with his feet just inside the three-point line and drilled a long two-pointer to give Andover a thrilling 51-49 victory against Milton in the Seacoast Challenge Showcase.

Andover Boys Basketball played in two showcases in December: the Roundball Classic and the Seacoast Challenge. In the Roundball Classic, Andover played Milton, and in the Seacoast Challenge, the team faced Hotchkiss, Trinity-Pawling and Milton once more.

In the first game against Milton, Andover won handily with a score of 53-36. The defense turned in its strongest performance thus far after switching to a 1-3-1 zone.

Although the game against Milton in the Seacoast Challenge was much closer the second time around, the players were all smiles after Adigwe's game-winner.

Prior to the game against Milton, Andover lost to Hotchkiss 54-42, leaving the players disappointed as they hoped it would be a closer game.

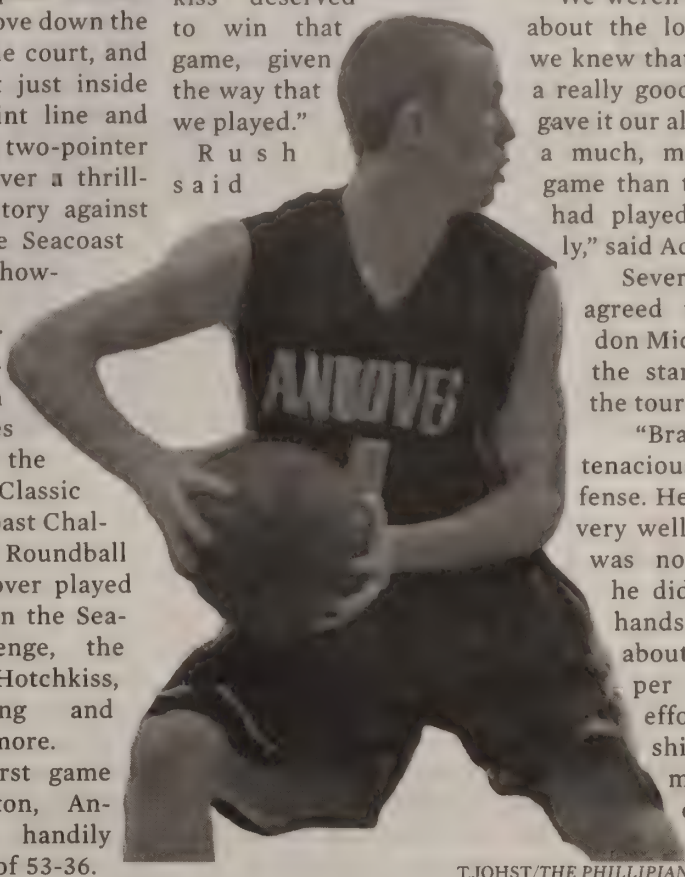
"We didn't really match the same sort of intensity that we had played with in earlier games. They had one really good guard that we had trouble shutting down," said Adigwe.

After the match against Hotchkiss, the team held a meeting to discuss the previous game.

When asked about the meeting, Robert Rush '14 said, "We sat down and we were like, 'How did we lose that game?' We didn't play like we were supposed to, we turned the ball over, we were selfish and we decided that in the next game we needed to play much better. Hotchkiss deserved to win that game, given the way that we played."

Rush said that this meeting could end up being one of the turning points in the season.

"That meeting was a defining moment because we realized that the game is not about egos. The only ego we can have is the Big Blue ego. We have to be a team and be united in everything we do. Against Trinity-Pawling, we wanted to make them realize that they were playing a tough Andover team," said Rush.



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Nate Meehan '14 led the team in its tournament

Trinity-Pawling was a very difficult opponent, as it had several extremely talented players. The players rallied together just hours after losing to Hotchkiss, defeating Andover by just six points.

"We weren't too upset about the loss because we knew that they were a really good team. We gave it our all and it was a much, much better game than the one we had played previously," said Adigwe.

Several players agreed that Brandon Michel '14 was the star player of the tournament.

"Brandon was tenacious on defense. He closed out very well, and there was no crossover he didn't get his hands on. He had about four steals per game. His effort really shined out the most. He's a one or two guard and he was grabbing rebounds and blocking shots like a four or five. He made shots when he needed to as well and kept us in the second Milton game," said Rush.

Although Andover went a combined 2-2 in both of the showcases, the players took a lot out of the team meeting after the Hotchkiss game.

Adigwe said, "The showcases revealed a lot of our strengths and weaknesses, and we learned a lot about our team." 1/10/14

BOYS BASKETBALL

Turnovers Lead to Fourth Loss in Five Games

By Pranav Tadikonda
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Despite Greg Devlin '14 splashing four three-pointers and garnering four steals, Andover fell to Exeter 55-47 this past Wednesday.

The team's fourth loss in the past five games dropped Andover's record to 4-4.

Getting off to a slow start, Andover quickly fell into a 10-0 deficit at the start of the game.

"We needed more effort than anything else. I think that if we had a lot more energy and effort, it would have been a really good game for us," said Devlin.

Kene Adigwe '14 agreed with his teammate, noting that Andover didn't show its trademark intensity.

"We just couldn't get loose balls today. We didn't make enough effort plays. It just came down to who wanted it more, and I guess they wanted it more today because they made more effort plays and they made less careless mistakes," said Adigwe.

Exeter ran a matchup zone defense, which in its basic form is a defender playing man-to-man on the ball handler and other defenders playing zone. One of the inherent advantages of playing a matchup zone is that it is difficult for the offense to figure out which defense the opponent is playing. Deciphering Exeter's defense was one of the main problems that Andover had during the game.

"They kept showing us different forms of the matchup zone, so in certain situations, they would go with a 1-3-1 matchup zone, or a 2-3 zone, and it kind of messed up our offensive flow," said Adigwe.

Devlin said, "With their matchup zone, they'd stop our original play, then we'd run another, they'd stop it, and then we'd just stop moving after that. We would just go into this random offense and it didn't work."

Despite the loss, the players were able to find a silver lining to the game.

"We did force a lot of turnovers because they didn't handle the ball well. That was good for us. We also got a lot of our points off of the three because they made us shoot deep shots," said Devlin.

Devlin led the team with 12 points, Adigwe scored 11 points and Captain Jake Howell '14 dropped 10 points.

On Friday, Andover will play Milton Academy for the third time this season and the team will face off against Tabor on Saturday.

In two previous meetings with Milton, Andover won 53-36 and 51-49. Previous experience against Milton before will help Andover as players and coaches plan to implement new game strategies and defenses to throw off Milton players.

"We've been playing well against [Milton], and we have a lot of confidence because we beat them twice. We're going to pressure them and keep their big men out of the paint and we should be fine," said Germaine Wright '15. 1/10/14

Greg Devlin '14 skies to haul in a rebound. Devlin's hard play earned him 12 points and four steals.

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Three-year veteran Nate Meehan '14 races by an outstretched defender as the crowd watches on. 1/10/14

BOYS BASKETBALL

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Sam Glazer '15 scored 18 points against Milton.

Furious Comebacks Lead to Wins

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	68
Milton	53
Andover	43
Tabor	69
Andover	59
Governer's	50

After avoiding a pick at the top of the key against Milton Academy, Greg Devlin '14 settled down in the right corner of the court, called for the ball and executed his fluid shooting motion. A couple of seconds later, the crowd was going wild—Devlin had tied a school record with his seventh three-pointer of the game.

Devlin's three-pointer sealed Andover's 68-53 victory over Milton on Friday. The victory was Andover's third against Milton this year.

Andover, however, did not dominate the entire contest. Despite four three-pointers from Devlin, the team trailed 27-25 at halftime.

In the second half, Andover tightened up its defense and kicked its offense into attack mode, outscoring Milton 46-23.

Devlin finished with 27 points, but emphasized that he put the team ahead of his personal accolades.

"We were down by two at the half, so first and foremost, I was thinking about how to get us ahead. Eventually we caught fire and went on a long run. But the most threes I had ever hit in a game was five before, so after I hit that number, I started to think about coming close to maybe setting a record," said Devlin.

Despite falling behind, Milton pursued Andover relentlessly. At one point in the fourth quarter, Milton brought the game within fewer than ten points.

When the game got close, Andover began to sink its free throws, shooting 90 percent from the charity stripe.

Sam Glazer '15 had 18 points to go along with Devlin's 27, while Captain Jake Howell '14 added seven points, nine rebounds, four assists and three steals.

Despite the strong effort against Milton, Andover's momentum was unable to propel it over a Tabor team that has only lost three games. Andover fell short 69-43 on Saturday.

While Andover stayed close to Tabor in the first half, the team lost control of the game after halftime.

"Coming into the second half, we were only down by five. In the first half, we were moving the ball, we were attacking gaps and we were taking good shots. I think that when we came out in the second half, they played harder than us. They got a lot of fast breaks, layups and easy buckets, and that little lead that they had kept building and building until it became a blowout," said Eric Alperin '15.

Kene Adigwe '14's performance was a bright spot on what was otherwise a tough night. He scored 12 points, corralled four rebounds and had one steal.

On Wednesday, Andover played Governor's Academy, hoping to avenge its previous loss.

Andover was down five points, 32-27, at the half. With ten minutes left to play, Andover went on a 9-0 run to come away with a 59-50 victory.

Devlin had another stellar performance, scoring 11 of the team's first 13 points. He ended the game with 14 points and Howell grabbed eight rebounds en route to a complete team victory.

"It was a very balanced performance. Everybody shot the ball well—Greg, Kene, Brandon [Michel '14]. Brandon made plays on both ends of the court, and Nate [Meehan '14] also made plays. I tried to get everybody going at the beginning. We were all doing what we needed to do, and that helped contribute to a good all-around win," said Alperin.

The win improved Andover's record to 6-5. It will give Andover momentum heading into Saturday's game against Deerfield, who defeated Andover twice last season. 1/17/14

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GREG DEVLIN '14: MOST THREES IN ONE GAME

Last Friday night, in a close matchup against Milton, Greg Devlin '14 tied the record for most three pointers in a game. Devlin has knocked down 41 points in the past week.

How did you feel after your final three pointer?

When I hit my final three of the night, I glanced over at Ryan Hartung '12, who had set the record for most three's in a game in 2011, in the crowd, and kinda gave him a little smirk, as if to say, "At the top it's just us," quoting the great Lil Reese.

How does it feel to be a record-holder?

It feels good to be a co-record holder. I didn't really anticipate hitting all those threes, but as the game went on I felt that it probably be my best opportunity to at least tie the record. I also didn't anticipate on seeing Ryan there, so it definitely added a little extra motivation with him watching on the sidelines.

Are you looking to break your new record in the near future?

I'm definitely looking to set a new record in our upcoming home games. Exeter better hope for a sunny day, cause the forecast is cloudy with a chance of threes.

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Captain Jake Howell '14 tallied 17 rebounds last week.

Tough Loss Brings Boys to 6-5

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	44
Cushing	60

With five minutes remaining in the first half, a barrage of quick layups brought Andover Boys Basketball back within nine points of Cushing Academy. Despite the final effort, Cushing's talent and depth proved too much to overcome in the end.

In the second half, consecutive contested layups from Brandon Michel '14 brought hope for an Andover comeback, but Cushing's fast play and ball-movement proved overwhelming.

Andover fell 60-44 to a capable Cushing Academy team. Playing for Cushing were two Division I basketball prospects: Senior Kaleb Joseph, brother of NBA player Kris Joseph, and junior Jalen Adams. Both are ranked one and four, respectively, in the state of New Hampshire, according to ESPN 150.

Despite Cushing's talent, Andover found itself down nine points at halftime. The close game was a product of Andover's strong defense. Cushing scored just 30 points in the first half.

Head Coach Terrell Ivory said, "One really good thing we did was that we kept [Cushing] on their toes by playing both man and a 1-3-1 zone [defenses]. I think that anytime you play multiple defenses, it keeps the other team off-balance. We started the game playing man-to-man the whole time, but once they figured that out, we started switching defenses."

Andover made a push before the end of the first half to try to close the widening score deficit.

"During that stretch, we played really active defense. We played the passing lanes well, and we made them really uncomfortable, and they turned the ball over," said Eric Alperin '15. "We also pushed the ball, and we were getting easy buckets, and, as Coach likes to say, we were getting 'stop-score-stops.'"

Cushing then started to pull further ahead when Joseph and Adams took over the game.

"I feel like it was tough to match up well for the entire game with that team. They had a lot of really good athletes. Sometimes we just have mental lapses, and to beat a team like Cushing, you have to stay focused for the entire game," said Sam Glazer '15.

Andover played with a noticeably faster tempo, fought harder and performed better in the second half, according to Ivory, but it was not enough to win the game.

"After halftime and after we had time to make all the adjustments, we played much harder. But once we got into it, at that point, it was almost already too late. It's hard digging out of a hole like that. I mean, we played hard, but we used all of our energy trying to get back into the game," said Ivory.

Glazer led the team with 17 points, and Michel added 11.

While both Glazer and Michel combined to make three of four free throws, the rest of the team did not fare as well, shooting a combined 54 percent from the line.

"In order to beat teams that are more talented than you are, you have to play hard on a consistent basis. There were times that we did play hard, but it wasn't enough. And that's something that we need to work on in practice, the ability to play hard on a consistent basis," said Ivory.

Andover takes on Worcester Academy away at 5:30 p.m today. 1/24/14

With Two Losses, Boys Fall Under .500

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	57
Worcester	74

Andover	56
Tilton	90

Andover Boys Basketball suffered two losses against capable Worcester and Tilton Academies, 74-57 and 90-56, respectively.

The losses dropped Andover's record to below .500, which now stands at 6-7.

The players saw this as an advantage that they could exploit, as Worcester was missing its star player. But, as Greg Devlin '14 noted, Andover was not as focused or consistent as it needed to be.

"In the end, they were the better team, but I think we let the trash-talking get to us. There were times where we'd play well and claw our way back, and then we'd let up and they'd go on a few runs. That was what took the game away from us," said Devlin.

Devlin added that he believed the team put in a lot of effort. In the end, the other team was simply more talented.

"We fought really hard in that game. There were a lot of times when we could have just quit—like when we were down by 15, but we fought back and made it pretty close. We definitely made it interesting. In the end, they hit their free throws and made some shots and that's why their margin of victory was so large," said Devlin.

The scoring distribution was fairly even against Worcester, with five players scoring within six and eleven points. Andover also shot poorly from the free throw line, making only 6 of 14 free throws. This performance translated to a season-worst 43 percentage from the charity stripe.

The players hoped that the loss against Worcester would help give them motivation to recover going into the game against typically talented Tilton, but the game did not start well for Andover.

Tilton's best player, junior Terrance Mann, who is ranked as the top junior in New England, according to New England Basketball Recruitment Report, quickly scored ten points in the first half. Tilton jumped out to a 39-23 lead by halftime.

"They lost a really good player last year, Wayne Selden, and we thought we had a really good opportunity to beat them. But they came out with confidence and they had a full-court trap. We were kind of rattled, and we just didn't come out and take the right shots. They had a lot of rebounds and they had a lot of really talented players. It was really difficult to match up with them," said Germaine Wright '15.

At halftime, Head Coach Terrell Ivory told the players that he expected more from them.

"[Coach Ivory] knew that we were messing up on the court, and we knew that too. He said that we weren't playing hard enough and that we didn't have our heads in the game," said Nate Meehan '14.

The players were hoping for a better second half, but the Tilton players were too talented and athletic to handle.

Tilton outscored Andover 51-33 in the second half. This was the most points Andover has given up all year.

Kene Adigwe '14 led Andover with 13 points, and Brandon Michel '14 finished with eight points.

Andover will look to even its record at 7-7 when the team faces off against Thayer Academy on Friday. 1/31/14

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Kene Adigwe '14 crosses up his defender.

Boys Embark on Winning Streak

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	55
Thayer	34

Andover	58
Exeter	44

Eric Alperin '15 received a quick pass, stepped behind the three-point arc and sank his fourth three-pointer of the game. Alperin's 14 first-half points contributed to Andover Boys Basketball's 55-34 victory over Thayer on Friday.

The win against Thayer halted a three-game skid during which Andover lost against Cushing, the previous league champion, Worcester Academy and Tilton, three of the top teams in the Class AA NEPSAC League division.

While these losses dropped Andover's record to 6-8 before the Thayer game, the players took valuable lessons away from those losses, which allowed them to secure two wins last weekend. With strong momentum from Friday's game, the team toppled St. Sebastian's 58-44 on Saturday.

"We learned that we can't be outworked, especially by teams that are more talented than us... if they're more talented than us and on top of that, they outwork and out-hustle us, they're always going to win," said Alperin. "It was good to play those top teams because our league is less challenging. We got a lot better and we learned a lot about ourselves. We learned that we could beat all the teams we play from now on."

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Three-year Varsity veteran Nate Meehan '14 races to swipe the ball from a Milton point guard.

Andover's defense only allowed only 34 Thayer points, a remarkable drop from the 90 points that Andover allowed against Thayer last year.

"We switched back and forth from man to man to 1-3-1 zone throughout the game and they had trouble adjusting. In both games we switched all screens, and our opponents had no idea what to do," said Jake Howell '14.

Head Coach Terrell Ivory added, "We really feel that if we get stops, the offense will take care of itself. But in order for the offense to play well, we absolutely need to play great team defense."

Alperin's 21 total points fueled Andover's blowout victory over Thayer. While his performance was impressive on its own, his game held a little more significance for him.

"I knew I had to play well because my trainer came out here [from Los Angeles], but otherwise I knew he was going to get on my back. When I was warming up, I felt really good, and I just decided to let everything go and see how it went. After the first two shots went in, I kind of got in a zone," said Alperin.

Alperin did not cool off the next day against St. Sebastian's and continued his torrid scoring pace, providing 16 of Andover's 58 points on Saturday.

His first-half outbreak of 11 points gave Andover a large cushion throughout the game—St. Sebastian's brought the game to within six points late in the second half, but the padded lead that Alperin had helped to build secure Andover's victory.

Brandon Michel '14 also had a strong performance with 19 points, 14 of which came in the second-half.

Andover's game against Tabor on Wednesday was canceled due to inclement weather. With a week to prepare for its next game, the players will try to use their momentum from these two victories to give the team an edge against Brooks next Thursday.

2/7/14

Andover Avenges Deerfield Loss

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Capitalizing on an offensive rebound from Captain Jake Howell '14, Kene Adigwe '14 drove to the hoop, and kissed the ball off the glass, capping off an Andover run in the second half. Adigwe's layup on Monday brought Andover Boys Basketball within four points of Brooks after falling into a 15-point halftime deficit.

Despite the comeback, Andover never got closer than four points, as foul trouble and turnovers down the stretch led the team to a 58-50 loss.

In the plays preceding Adigwe's layup, Sam Glazer '15 knocked down a three-pointer, Brandon Michel '14 converted a fast-break layup, and Adigwe sank a free throw. These plays forced Brooks to call two timeouts and turn over the ball several times.

Eric Alperin '15 said, "It all started with our defense. We had active hands, we jumped passes, and [Michel] and [Adigwe] both did a really good job of pressuring the ball and creating turnovers. We finished well on the offensive end. We pushed the ball and got easy buckets."

"At the end, we just let it slip. They were a really good team and they were really well-coached," he continued.

Michel led the scoring charge with 18 points, with Adigwe not far behind with 15 points.

The Brooks game fell in between two games against Deerfield Academy. Last Friday, Andover travelled west to Deerfield, but a lack of focus and consistency led to a disappointing 55-47 loss.

"We didn't play our game and we could have won. We just didn't come ready to play," said Germaine Wright '15. "We really could have beaten those guys if we played like we usually do. It didn't happen for us though."

Andover kept the game close in the first half, but spoiled its chances of a win by forcing many of the plays.

"I think each of us were trying to make too many plays for ourselves, and we didn't try to get others involved. We played them really tough in the first half, but in the second half, we didn't really get in a flow on offense, and their shooters helped them break away," said Alperin.

A bright spot for Andover in the loss was Michel's performance, as he scored 29 points on three-of-three free throw shooting. Six of his points came from behind the arc.

On Wednesday, Andover got another shot at Deerfield, and after a strong ending to the first half, the players found themselves up by nine points at halftime, 26-17.

Andover used its experience from the first Deerfield game to help win the second game 49-42.

"We knew that they had a lot of good shooters, and we keyed on them. We told each other to play together and play defense together. We just needed to stop them from getting open looks, and that's what gave us the halftime lead, and eventually, the game," said Wright.

In the second half, Deerfield brought the game to within five points, but Michel again shone for Andover.

With two minutes left, leading by five, Michel drove to the hoop and despite being fouled, banked in a difficult floater. At the line, Michel missed his "and-1" free throw attempt but grabbed the offensive rebound. Deerfield proceeded to foul Michel. He subsequently drilled both free throws to put Andover up by eight and the game out of reach of Deerfield.

"We did a really good job of not forcing anything. The guards controlled the game really well. Sam [Glazer] made a lot of plays off the dribble. Andrew Hamel '14 and Jake Howell '14 both played really well too—both of them got a lot of boards and steals," said Alperin.

Michel led the team in scoring for the third straight game, scoring 16 points, while Glazer had ten points.

Andover will play a 12-9 Exeter on Saturday. Andover will look to even its record to 10-10 for the season, and avenge a mid-season loss to Exeter from January. 2/21/14

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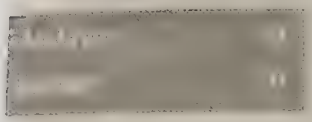
Kene Adigwe '14 races to the hoop on a fast break. Andover fell to Brooks 58-50.

2/21/14

Boys Fall in Overtime Thriller At Home

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



With Andover Boys Basketball trailing 53-52 against Exeter and less than 15 seconds left in the game, Sam Glazer '15 crossed over his defender and drove to the hoop. Both Andover and Exeter fans collectively held their breath as Glazer elevated for his shot. Glazer was fouled midair, but was somehow still able to contort his body and bank in a tough inside shot.

"There wasn't much going through my head before the shot, to be honest. But after the shot went in, I felt absolute euphoria," said Glazer.

After a successful free throw, Andover led 55-53 with 9.9 seconds left. Exeter then countered with an attack of its own—its forward drew a foul with 1.5 seconds left, and was set to shoot two free throws to tie the game. When Exeter's first shot bounced off the back of the rim, Andover's fans erupted with cheers.

After missing the next free throw intentionally, however, the Exeter guard on the block snuck around an Andover player to grab the rebound and lay it into the net to tie the game.

Exeter took control in overtime and eventually won 70-61.

Andover had played Exeter earlier in the year, but lost 57-50. In that game, Andover failed to get to the hoop to score in time.

Scoring points during their most recent game with Exeter was no issue, however, with Andover raking in points from both the field and the free-throw line.

"The first time we played them, we played selfishly. On Saturday, however, we shared the ball really well, and for the most part everyone made an impact offensively. Everyone did something well on the offensive side of the ball. It was a collective effort," said Eric Alperin '15.

As a result of tight and defensive play, Andover led 28-24 at halftime.

"Defensively, we played much better. We picked up the pace so much. Our pressure forced so many turnovers, and we didn't give up many easy baskets," said Alperin. "They didn't have many big men or primary ball handlers, so we had the advantage on the perimeter scoring areas with our guard play."

Kene Adigwe '14 and Brandon Michel '14 played well offensively and defensively, leading Andover in the backcourt.

Michel's active hands on defense led to steals and fast breaks that served as important transitioners into the offensive zone. More than once, Michel drove to the hoop, pulled up five feet short and dropped a short floater through the net.

Andover's performance kept the game competitive, with neither team holding a double-digit lead at any point. It was Glazer's shot at the end of regulation time, though, that allowed the game to go into overtime.

Missing a second free throw, Exeter had the chance to make a rebound and tie up the game. The shooter bounced the ball off the right side, and after stacking the left side of the court, an Exeter guard slipped by to score the tying basket.

"They ran a designed play, and they needed a miracle to win the game, and they got one. The ball bounced perfectly, and their alignments worked out perfectly," said Glazer.

In overtime, Michel, Adigwe and Captain Jake Howell '14 had fouled out, leaving Andover without some of its best players. Missing key players and a lower morale led to a disappointing performance from Andover in the end.

"We had a lot of momentum going at the end of the game, and it was tough to see a lot of that momentum get erased on that last-second play. We couldn't really get a stop at the end, especially with our top guards out, and we stopped trading buckets. That killed us in the end," said Glazer.

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Sam Glazer '15 put Andover up by 2 points with under 10 seconds to play.

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Blue Key Head Cooper Hurley '14

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Nate Meehan '14 cuts to the hoop against Exeter as teammate Kene Adigwe '14 supports him at the top.

Boys' Playoffs Bid Ends By 3

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With time running down in the game, Brandon Michel '14 elevated for a desparate 3-pointer to send the game into overtime. As the buzzer sounded, Michel's shot bounced off the rim, sealing Andover Boys Basketball's 53-50 playoff loss against Hotchkiss in the first round of the NEPSAC Class A Tournament.

Andover started off in an offensive rut. The team put up only 19 first-half points and fell into a 12-point hole by halftime.

"We just came out with no energy. Everyone was tired because we had a long drive to the game. We really weren't ready to play. Our defensive intensity wasn't where it needed to be," said Kene Adigwe '14, who had nine points.

Nate Meehan '14, who scored 13 of Andover's 19 first-half points, gave Andover a chance against Hotchkiss.

Despite the poor start to the game, the players were able to bounce back and come back with more fire in the second half.

"We started playing better defense, and we turned it over less in the second half. We started executing our defense better, and that led to easier offensive chances and more points," said Meehan.

Adigwe added, "We upped the intensity in the second half by implementing a 1-3-1 press, which was disguised as a 2-2-1 press. We got a lot of turnovers and steals, and we started hitting our shots, which is something we didn't do in the first half."

Meehan did not score any more points in the second half, but Michel picked up the scoring, putting up 18 points in the last 18 minutes of the game. Adigwe also added seven points of his own.

With under a minute left and Andover trailing Hotchkiss by just one point, however, a Hotchkiss player hit a jumper to leave Andover down three points.

With five seconds left, the ball was inbounded to Adigwe, who was supposed to drive to the hoop and kick the ball out to Michel. The play, however, was well defended by Hotchkiss, and Michel's three-point attempt was contested very well. The shot bounced off the rim and Andover fell by three-points to Hotchkiss.

Andover's loss capped its season record at 9-12, losing four out of its final five games.

2/27/14

Sport: Girls Varsity Basketball

Year: 2014

Captains: Kasey Hartung, Katherine Kreider

Coach: Lani Silversides

Assistant Coach: Chris Jones

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Bergeron, Victoria
Bilal, Laura
Cavanaugh, Cara
Collins, Meredith
Everett, Victoria
Guzzi, Hannah
Hartung, Kasey
Hoey, Kate
Humes, Sarah
Kelley, Emma
Kreider, Katherine
Nasser, Ravenne

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Girls Varsity Basketball
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
4	Nasser, Ravenne	2015	Methuen, MA
5	Kelley, Emma	2017	Andover, MA
10	Guzzi, Hannah	2014	Southborough, MA
11	Bilal, Laura	2017	Methuen, MA
12	Humes, Sarah	2016	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
13	Bergeron, Victoria	2016	McLean, VA
20	Hartung, Kasey*	2014	Haverhill, MA
21	Collins, Meredith	2014	Upton, MA
24	Kreider, Katherine*	2014	Boxford, MA
25	Cavanaugh, Cara	2015	North Andover, MA
31	Everett, Victoria	2014	Brockville, ON, CAN
32	Brownotter, Connie	2014	Bullhead, SD
33	Hoey, Kate	2014	Los Altos Hills, CA

**Captains*

Coach: Lani Silversides

Assistant Coach: Chris Jones

Manager: Audrey Leduc '14, Doris Nyamwaya '14

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 5:15 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	H	Game	L 29-42
12/14 @ 3:30 PM	Loomis Chaffee- CANCELED	H	Game	
12/19 @ 4:30 PM	Rivers Tournament- Rivers		Game	L 31-71
12/21 @ 9:00 AM	Rivers Tournament-NMH		Game	L 34-50
12/21 @ 3:00 PM	Rivers Tournament-Taft		Game	L 39-59
1/8 @ 4:00 PM	Brewster Academy		Game	W 50-28
1/11 @ 1:00 PM	Milton		Game	L 31-54
1/15 @ 4:45 PM	Thayer	H	Game	L 36-37
1/18 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 48-40
1/22 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough		Game	L 17-67
1/25 @ 4:15 PM	Worcester	H	Game	L 42-43
1/29 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks		Game	W 37-32
2/3 @ 4:45 PM	Exeter		Game	L 49-53
2/5 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor- CANCELED		Game	
2/7 @ 5:30 PM	Holderness		Game	W 49-43
2/12 @ 4:45 PM	B. B. & N.	H	Game	W 62-27
2/14 @ 6:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	L 42-75
2/19 @ 2:45 PM	Rivers		Game	L 46-56
2/22 @ 6:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 38-34
2/26 @ 4:00 PM	N.M.H.		Tournament	L 51-54

Highlights

Choate Rosemary Hall

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/7/2013 12:15 PM	H	Game		29-42

Andover Loses to Talented Choate Team

Andover suffered a loss to a talented Choate team in the first game of the season. Andover charged out to an early lead with buckets by senior captains Kasey Hartung and Katie Kreider, but a scoring drought and turnovers allowed Choate to swing the momentum their way and build a sizeable lead. Nevertheless, the last 8 minutes saw a lot of promising play from the home squad, particularly when senior Hannah Guzzi came off the bench to inspire a sharp full-court press. Key second half scoring came from the post players, upper Cara Cavanaugh and senior Kate Hoey. Kreider led the scoring with 7 points, followed by Cavanaugh with 6, and new lower Sarah Humes made an impressive debut at the point guard position.

Brewster Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/8/2014 11:00 AM	A	Game		50-28

Andover defeats Brewster

The Girls Varsity team notched their first win in 2014 at Brewster. It was their finest performance to date. Captain Kasey Hartung set the scoring pace with 15 points and Cara Cavanaugh continued her outstanding offensive season, adding 13 of her own. But the win belonged to the whole team and their efforts on the defensive end, holding Brewster to 28 points and rebounding more effectively than any previous game. Senior Kate Hoey had 7 rebounds herself, 4 of them offensive rebounds.

Milton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/11/2014 8:00 AM	A	Game		31-54

Andover loses to Milton

In another away game, GV Basketball fell to a talented Milton team on Saturday, 54-31. Milton's team included their star center, who proved too difficult a match-up for Andover's defense. She was responsible for 27 of Milton's 54 points. Matched up against her, Cara Cavanaugh put in an impressive 10 points, demonstrating that she can score against anyone. Meredith Collins and Kate Hoey each contributed 6 points. Sarah Humes played nearly every minute of the game, bringing the ball up against pressure and scoring 4 points of her own.

Kate Hoey '14 finds a way out of the Choate double team.

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Team Identifies Areas for Improvement After Tough Loss

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Filled with promising new talent, Girls Varsity Basketball looks for a fresh start this season after last year's 8-9 record.

Despite graduating five Seniors, the team has is excited about its young talent this season. Laura Bilal '17, Emma Kelley '17, Victoria Bergeron '16, starting point guard Sarah Humes '16 and post player Kate Hoey '14 are all new additions to the team.

"We lost a team full of talented upperclassmen to graduation and to injury. Fortunately, we have a great mixture of veterans and new recruits ready to step into those roles under the leadership of [Co-Captain] Katie Kreider '14 and [Co-Captain] Kasey Hartung '14," said Assistant Coach Christopher Jones.

The team has showed strong potential in practice. Combined with Humes, Hoey and Cara Cavanaugh '15 at center and forward positions, respectively, have the offensive skills that will be crucial in pushing the ball up the court and maintaining an up-tempo pace of play.

The team also is in top physical form to start the season, an advantage that will help it overpower opponents.

"We are an incredibly quick and fit team, and that's something we're going to need to use to our advantage and try to fast break a lot and get a lot of steals," said Kreider.

"Everybody is a multi-sport athlete and very athletic, which translates really well on the court," said Head Coach Lani Silversides.

In the first game of the season on Saturday, Andover suffered a loss to Choate 29-42.

Andover started off strong and grabbed an early lead thanks to baskets from Hartung and Kreider.

"The first five minutes of the game we played our best. We were doing a fantastic job pushing up the court, moving the ball, playing aggressive defense and driving to the hoop," said Kreider.

However, the team couldn't keep the momentum in its favor, and Choate built a significant ten-point lead late in the first half.

Andover was not discouraged and managed to score 19 points to Choate's 22 in the second half. In the last few minutes of the game, Hannah Guzzi '14 initiated a full-court press that slowed Choate's offense.

"We started strong and ended strong, but were pretty flat in between. We were four of 19 from the free throw line, and that just can't happen. Had we made our free throws, the game could have been ours," said Silversides.

Today's game was the team's first, after only three practices.

"We had a hard time putting the ball in the basket, but our strengths will come from learning how to capitalize on our athleticism and speed, pushing the ball up the court and playing tough defense," continued Silversides.

Andover will also continue to focus on unity and chemistry on the court, as many team members do not know each other very well.

"It may take a while for us to come together and for things to really click, but I think we can challenge any opponent once we do," said Kreider.

The team faces Loomis at home this Saturday. Andover feels confident that it will execute the plays and tactics learned in practice to emerge victorious.

"We've showed a lot of intensity in our practices and against Choate, and I think next Saturday we can incorporate that intensity into the entire game," said Cavanaugh.

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Girls Fall in Rivers Tournament

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Andover Girls Basketball emerged from the Rivers Tournament on December 19-21 without a win, but a stronger team.

"Each game was a learning experience for the team, I would say. Our turnovers decreased and our scoring increased, so we definitely saw improvement throughout the tournament," said Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14.

Although Rivers, an experienced team with multiple Division 1 recruits, overpowered Andover 71-31 in the first game of the tournament, Andover maintained a positive outlook and tackled its next game with more momentum.

"Rivers is one of the best teams we'll face all year," said Kreider. The team recovered and improved against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH).

"We played a little better and more like a team than the game before," said Cara Cavanaugh '15.

Andover started strong and grabbed an early lead, but a number of turnovers in the middle of the game hurt Andover and gave NMH the advantage.

Ultimately, NMH pulled ahead and closed out the game 50-34.

Andover continued its upward trend and played at a much higher level in its next game against Taft.

"There were moments when we were very effective on defense and were able to get a lot of stops, and going forward we need to play that same quality of defense in every possession and stay focused the whole game," said Cavanaugh.

Several impressive newcomers boosted the team's overall performance.

"[Junior] Emma [Kelley '17] came off the bench and had a great run, scoring 11 points," said Kreider.

"Our PG Kate [Hoey '13] was also awesome defensively for us," she continued.

While Andover handled the ball better than it had in earlier games, it gave up many offensive rebounds to Taft and fell 59-39.

Throughout the three day tournament, individual players stepped up to the plate and demonstrated both athleticism and skill.

Post player Cavanaugh scored 14, 20 and 14 points respectively against Rivers, NMH and Taft.

"Cavanaugh had a great tournament, and probably was the biggest source of scoring for us," said Kreider.

"She and Kate Hoey will be key to our offensive scoring in future games," said Head Coach Lani Silversides.

Andover views the losses as valuable learning experiences; instead of being discouraged, the team is stronger and has higher hopes for the future.

"Even though we lost all three games, I think it's clear that we are going to be able to win some games if we fix the little things that we can control," said Kreider.

Moving forward, the team will focus on practicing three areas: keeping its turnovers down, rebounding on both ends of the floor and getting the ball to its post players on offense.

"We have already improved a lot, so now that we are in the middle of Winter Term and don't have any more disruptive long breaks, I think our team is really going to start to come up with their identity," said Silversides. 1/10/14

Discipline Leads To First Win

Z.GALLAGHER/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Meredith Collins '14 invades opponent's space in an effort to retrieve a rebound.

By Isabella Haegg
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Andover	50
Brewster	28

Thumping its opponent 50-28, Andover Girls Basketball claimed its first win of the season against Brewster Academy this past Wednesday.

"We focused on playing a more disciplined game, and that's what helped us play our best all season," said Assistant Coach Christopher Jones.

Thanks to adjustments in strategy throughout the game, Andover adapted to Brewster's style of play and defeated the team easily.

"We started off the game in a 1-3-1 defense but switched to man-to-man about ten minutes into the game," said Sarah Humes '16.

On offense, Andover focused on playing a four-out around its center Cara Cavanaugh '15, with four players spread out on the three-point arc and Cavanaugh posting up under the basket.

"The goal of the play is to get the ball to Cavanaugh, and it was really successful against Brewster's man-to-man defense," said Humes.

Andover dominated offensively as a result, with Cavanaugh and Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 scoring 13 points each.

Newcomers to the team Kate Hoey '14, Humes, Victoria Bergeron '16 and Emma Kelley '17 also put points on the board during the game.

"Hoey was a standout on both ends of the floor, scoring, rebounding and taking charges," said Jones.

Andover closed out the game proud of its performance. The team executed the plays it had been focusing on during practice, and played up to its potential.

"We played all around good game and it was a great team effort. We scored off the break and in the post as we were hoping to," said Coach Lani Silversides.

There are still areas for the team to focus on and improve in order to guarantee more wins this season.

"As we go on, better rebounding and taking care of the ball will be crucial for us," said Jones.

Silversides added, "We still want to fast break as well and use our athleticism to our advantage and be loud and energetic on defense."

Confident from its win, Andover looks forward to taking on Milton away this Saturday.

"This was a big game for us and we are hoping to keep the winning streak alive against Milton," said Humes.

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Triple Threes Just Miss Victory

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Andover	30
Milton	54
Andover	36
Thayer	37

With Andover Girls Basketball down by two with 30 seconds left on the clock, Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 gave her team a glimmer of hope with three three-pointers that put Andover up 36-35 against Thayer on Wednesday.

Hartung's trio of three-pointers in the final minutes was not enough to guarantee a win, however, as Thayer retaliated with a buzzer beater, sealing its victory against Andover 37-36.

Andover took on Thayer with increased focus on improving its shooting consistency after suffering a 31-54 loss to Milton this past Saturday.

Going into the game, the team played a mix of man-to-man and zone defenses, catching Thayer off guard.

After two three-pointers from Kate Hoey '14, Andover went into halftime tied at 19 with Thayer.

"The beginning was a little shaky, but as we warmed up, we started getting better at boxing out Thayer and getting more rebounds," said Sarah Humes '16.

After a motivating halftime show from SLAM, Andover launched into the second half with more aggression than the first half.

Hartung played with intensity throughout the game and motivated the team to do the same.

"[Hartung] really stepped up and played her heart out. She led the team with steals and frees and got everyone fired up," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

With 2:30 left in the game, Hartung hit a three pointer to trail Thayer 28-32. After a basket from Hoey and another three-pointer from Hartung, Andover was only down 33-35 with 1:20 left on the clock.

Hartung's third consecutive three-pointer was met with deafening cheers from the crowd, putting Andover up 36-35.

"At the end of the game, our strategy was really just to foul Thayer in order to run out the clock and seal our lead," said Coach Silversides.

Against all odds, Thayer drained a basket with a few seconds remaining in the game to win 37-36.

Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14 said, "The game against Thayer was similar to Milton, because we took significantly more shots than the other team, yet we were missing them more than we should."

Although Andover was understandably disappointed, it was proud of its perseverance and improvement.

"Our rebounds definitely got a lot better and gave us those scoring opportunities," continued Kreider.

Earlier in the week Andover came out strong against Milton in the first half and trailed by a mere nine points.

"We never backed down, and we kept the pressure up the whole game," said Hoey.

Despite the strong effort, Andover struggled to close the narrow gap in the second half. The team was overpowered by Milton's 6' 3" star center who scored half of Milton's 54 total points.

"In the second half, we were playing such tough defense that we got tired and started missing more of our shots," said Kreider.

Overall, Andover put up an impressive offensive front against Milton's high-pressure defense.

Cara Cavanaugh '15 put ten points on the board. Meredith Collins '14 and Hoey each scored six points while Humes at point guard facilitated the offense, bringing it up the court and contributing four points to Andover's score.

"We were only down by nine at the half, so the game could have gone either way. The problem was that we had more shots than Milton, but we were shooting and missing, while they were shooting and making it," said Bergeron.

With the goal of increasing its shooting consistency and continuing to develop its defense in practice, the team is preparing to take on Deerfield at home this Saturday.

E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLPIAN*

Emma Kelley '17 looks to pass the ball during Andover's close match-up against Thayer.

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L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Sarah Humes '16 shoots a free throw against Deerfield.

Deerfield Falls in Final Ten Minutes

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Andover	40
Deerfield	40
Andover	17
Nobles	69

With Andover down 26-33 and just ten minutes left in the game, Sarah Humes '16 charged down the court and blew by defenders to sink a deep two-point shot. Driven by Humes's determination, Cara Cavanaugh '15 and Co-Captains Kasey Hartung '14 and Katie Kreider '14, stepped up to help complete the comeback against Deerfield on Saturday 48-40.

"Going into the game we were really motivated to win because we came so close to beating Thayer on Wednesday," said Cavanaugh.

"We wanted to focus on executing," said Kate Hoey '14. "Whether it was our plays on offense, completely boxing out and rebounding, or shutting down Deerfield on defense, we wanted to give 100 percent the entire time."

The start of the game proved challenging for Andover. The team gave Deerfield numerous turnovers and chances at many offensive rebounds.

At the half, Andover trailed Deerfield by 11 points 18-29 and lacked confidence with the ball.

Motivated by its many fans in the stands, Andover came out in the second half with a new burst of energy.

"We were really pumped up and we started executing our offense and taking the ball to the hoop while drawing fouls," said Humes.

Andover learned from its mistakes in the first half and changed its strategy accordingly to reduce turnovers and to move effective offensive possessions. As time wore on, the team slowly crept back into the game and closed in on Deerfield.

"Another huge adjustment we had was our passes to the wings. At the beginning of the game, Deerfield was picking them off, but we used Deerfield's over-aggressiveness against them by ball-faking and penetrating deep into their defense," said Hoey.

A few Andover players put up major points on the scoreboard. Kreider led the team with 15 points, Cavanaugh scored 11, Hoey put up ten and Humes had nine.

"Kreider had a great game, contributing a lot of blocks and steals on defense and adding a lot of energy on offense," said Humes.

Scoring a total 30 points to Deerfield's 11 in the second half, Andover sealed its victory in a hard-fought comeback.

"We brought a lot of heart into the end of the game that we haven't really shown before and that is what allowed us to come back from behind and end up winning," said Cavanaugh.

On Wednesday, the team fought valiantly but could not bring down a notoriously strong and undefeated Nobles team.

Nobles kicked off the game with an intimidating three-pointer. Hartung, however, appeared unfazed as she responded with a three-pointer of her own.

"It was a great way to start the game, and it sent the message to Nobles that we could compete with them," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

The two teams remained competitive throughout most of the first half. Nobles started to intercept Andover's break-out passes and began to convert them into uncontested layups. Nobles ultimately pulled ahead in the last five minutes of the first half.

Nobles' ten-point lead quickly turned into a 25-point lead, and Andover struggled to close the gap for the rest of the game.

The game ended 69-17 Nobles. The defeat was a wake-up call for the Andover team.

"It was a tough game against Nobles, but we're going to use it for fuel to win this weekend," said Bergeron.

Humes said, "Moving forward into our next games we want to continue growing stronger in how we play together. We want to learn how to stay calm on offense to reduce our turnovers and score off our plays."

The team looks to avenge its loss in its upcoming game at home against Worcester this Saturday. 1/24/14

LLUO/THE PHILLIPIAN

Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14 was a consistent powerhouse on offense against Brooks.

One-Point Deficit Leads to Strategic Changes For Win

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Andover	41
Worcester	42

Andover	37
Brooks	32

With Andover Girls Basketball down by eight points and with three minutes left on the clock, Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 swiped the ball from Worcester's offense, raced down the court and nailed a three-pointer. The play was just the beginning of Andover Girls Basketball's second-half comeback attempt this Saturday against Worcester.

Cara Cavanaugh '15 followed Hartung's spark with a few buckets of her own. Unfortunately, the rally fell short as Andover lost 42-41.

"[Worcester] played really scrappy and aggressive defense, but we fired back. We were diving on the floor for loose balls and just playing with really high intensity overall," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

Hartung said, "We knew from the start that they were going to be a really good team. We still came out with confidence, and it made a huge difference... Everyone had their head in the game. We weren't giving up without a fight."

At the end of the first half, Andover trailed Worcester by a single point with the score at 21-22. The team felt confident heading into the final 24 minutes.

In the second half, Andover stepped up its aggression on the court and began to pressure Worcester into making bad passes and other mistakes.

"It was our second half energy and discipline that allowed us to close the gap and nearly steal the game from Worcester, one of the best teams in New England," said Assistant Coach Christopher Jones.

Newcomer Emma Kelley '17 scored crucial points that kept Andover within reach of Worcester.

"I'm really proud of Kelley for her long range threes. She came out with a killer sense of confidence and vigor. She really came to play. I loved it," said Hartung.

Andover avenged its loss on Wednesday by defeating Brooks 37-32.

Andover's consistency on offense and defense kept it on top for most of the game. Improved defensive communication led to more effective man-to-man defense, forcing three shot-clock violations by Brooks' players.

"We got one of Brooks's best player in foul trouble early in the second half and fouled her out," said Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14.

Despite starting off with a lead, Andover did lose its intensity. The team grabbed more rebounds in the second half than it did in the first half, and executed strategic plays it had developed in practice.

"We slowed it down and were more patient with the ball, and that helped us get the ball in the basket more," said Bergeron.

Sharpshooters Hartung, Kelley and Kate Hoey '14 all scored three-pointers. These scores helped extend the team's lead over Brooks. Hoey also secured her free throws to give Andover a decisive victory.

"We've been doing a great job being aggressive and getting to the line, so now we just need to put the final pieces together and we'll be unstoppable," said Hartung.

Andover Girls Basketball will use the upward momentum from this victory when it plays archrival Exeter this Saturday. 1/31/14

Five Points Short of Exeter Win

By Isabella Haegg
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Andover	49
Exeter	54

Andover Girls Basketball fell below the .500 mark on Saturday after losing to an undefeated Exeter team 54-49.

"Exeter is our number one rival, so we really wanted to go out there and beat them on their home court. They were pretty confident, but we answered back with our own sense of confidence and determination and really gave them a run for their money for the entirety of the game," said Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14.

Andover came into the game with a burst of power and aggression that rattled the Exeter team and put it on the defensive.

"It was a great game for our posts, because they didn't have many big people guarding them and we took advantage of that on offense," said Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14.

Kate Hoey '14, Cara Cavanaugh '15 and Meredith Collins '14 played their strongest all season, rebounding their own offensive shots and eliminating Exeter's second-chance shots on defense.

"Hoey really helped us in breaking Exeter's press and put up a couple of huge points for us on the scoreboard," said Coach Lani Silversides.

Towards the end of the first half, Exeter began to fight back offensively. Andover was particularly challenged by Exeter's four accurate and consistent three-point shooters.

"We really had to buckle down on defense and get a hand in their face," said Hartung.

Andover responded to Exeter's offensive surge with an extended 2-3 zone defense on Exeter's outside shooters.

"Sarah Humes '16 had some great... ball pressure in our defense that made things hard for Exeter," said Silversides.

These stops on defense translated into strong offensive possessions for Andover and swung the momentum of the game in Andover's favor.

The teams were neck-and-neck for the second half, with Exeter trailing Andover by a few points for a large part of the half.

The last couple of minutes determined the game. Exeter secured two offensive rebounds in a row and capitalized on an "and-1" possession to pull ahead.

A crucial distinction between the two teams was their shooting accuracy from the free throw line: Exeter went 4-5, while Andover went 2-7.

"We'll keep working on those free throws. In a close game, especially at the end, we need to put those in," said Silversides.

"It was unfortunate that we lost in the last few minutes, but we all felt great about the game afterward and the progress that we have made as a team," Cavanaugh added.

The team is looking forward to avenging its loss when it plays Exeter again on February 22.

"We are going to keep getting better and better every game, so I'm excited to face the Big Red in two weeks at A/E and show them what we've got," said Hartung.

Andover will take on BB&N at home this Wednesday.

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A.WESTFALL/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 drives to the hoop past outstretched Exeter defenders.

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andover Girls Basketball hit over 50 percent of its free throws on Wednesday.

Girls Coast to Two-Game Winning Streak

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Andover	49
Holderness	43

Andover	62
BB&N	27

With two minutes left on the clock and the score tied 43-43 in Andover Girls Basketball's game against Holderness last Saturday, Kate Hoey '14 stole the ball from a Holderness player, raced down the court and nailed a shot from behind the arc. Hoey's three-pointer gave Andover enough momentum to close out the game 49-43.

Motivated by the win, Andover went on to score the most points in a single game all season against BB&N on Wednesday. The team topped BB&N, 62-27.

Against Holderness, Andover played a 2-3 defense and focused on executing plays on offense. Andover had gained a 13-point lead by halftime with a score of 30-17.

Holderness battled back in the second half with a surge of energy. With two minutes left, Holderness had tied Andover at 43-43.

"Holderness came out much harder in the second half and we didn't match that. We came out not as strong and that was definitely an opportunity they capitalized on," said Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14.

"We started lagging in energy after such a long bus ride and weren't in the right mindset, which is how our lead got away from us," said Hannah Guzzi '14.

With Hoey's three-pointer, Andover regained momentum. The team created turnovers and strong offensive plays to come home with a six-point victory.

"It wasn't so much what they were doing, but what we were doing. It should not have been that close by any means, and we played down to their level," said Kreider.

Against BB&N, Andover played one of its strongest games so far, as seen from the large point margin. Despite being the underdog in the matchup with only four wins, compared to BB&N's ten wins, Andover forced many turnovers with an aggressive and effective defense.

"What happened on Friday was [that] our defense was bad, which translated to bad offense. Against BB&N, our defense was a lot better and that always translates to good offense," said Kreider.

"Everyone was really pumped up, because it was our first home game in a really long time. People got really excited," said Guzzi.

By halftime, Andover had doubled BB&N's score. The team led 30-15.

"Offensive rebounds were so huge for us in the first half, and Cara Cavanaugh '15 got almost every single one. Consistently getting the rebound was so important, because these rebounds added up against the other team and we started pulling away," said Hoey.

The team increased its lead in the second half. Andover forced more turnovers, drove the ball down the court and nailed more shots.

BB&N, derailed by Andover's strong offense, found itself in foul trouble. BB&N gave Andover 11 free throws, which Andover hit over 50 percent of the time.

Andover was also consistent from behind the arc. Hoey knocked down two three-pointer and Sarah Humes '16 and Victoria Bergeron '16 nailed one three-pointer each.

Top individual scorers included Hoey with a personal high of 18 points, Cavanaugh with 12 points, Kreider with 11 points and Humes with eight points.

"We've never played better offensively or defensively," said Bergeron. "It's really encouraging to see how we keep improving over the season."

The team looks to build on this upward momentum against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) at a home game this Friday.

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J.XENAKIS/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 searches for a free-throw.

Two-Game Win-Streak Ends with Loss to NMH

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Despite losing to both Northfield Mount Hermon and Rivers, both for the second time this season, narrower margins reflected the substantial improvement of Andover Girls Basketball.

Andover lost 75-42 to a top-seeded NMH team on Friday.

"We knew that it was going to be an intense game. We watched game film prior to Friday, so we knew we really needed to focus on shutting their shooters down with our 2-3 defense," said Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14.

NMH charged out to a 32-11 lead that turned into 42-20 by halftime. The large deficit was the result of the NMH's outside shooting and fast breaks.

Andover could not close the gap in the second half despite changing up its defense from a 2-3 to a man-to-man.

"Our switches and transitions on the zone weren't fast enough, so we weren't getting to the ball in time, and NMH was able to get shots off," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

Andover played a strong offensive game itself, with three three-point baskets from Hartung, who scored an overall 15 points, and many layups and offensive rebounds from Cara Cavanaugh '15, putting 14 points on the board. Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14 also added nine points.

"After our game against NMH, we focused in practice on trying to fix some of the holes we had in our defense in order to better contest and prevent shots and boxing out on defense so the other team doesn't get second opportunities to score," said Cavanaugh.

The effort Andover put in to fix its errors paid off against Rivers on Wednesday. Having lost to the team earlier in the season 71-31, Andover showed remarkable improvement by losing 55-45.

"We went into the game with the underdog mentality and proved that we can compete with them," said Bergeron.

Offensively, Andover was also the most consistent from the foul line.

"We were also really good at offensive rebounding. Cavanaugh had an amazing game overall, and her offensive rebounds helped us score points," said Hoey.

At halftime, Andover was up by seven points. Rivers came out on fire in the second half, scoring three three-pointers in a row to tie the game and using its momentum to pull ahead.

"We got tired, and our transitions weren't as fast. Our guards on top of our 2-3 defense weren't getting out in time, so Rivers was able to take shots off from very far out," said Hoey.

Sarah Humes '16 said, "Rivers's offense is heavily oriented around its post player, and we were able to foul her out with eight minutes left in the game."

This change slowed Rivers down on offense, but Andover did not recover the lead..

"We've come a long way since we last played them two months ago. We've improved at everything, and Rivers was not expecting it to be a close game or for them to be down at halftime. We really proved ourselves," said Bergeron.

This improvement is very promising for the team going into its much-anticipated rematch against Exeter at home on Saturday, as Exeter will similarly have a lot of three-point shooters.

"We know what is essential to work on before Exeter. With all the fans cheering us on in the stands, we're going to come out strong with a lot of intensity and get the win," said Hartung.

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J. BECKWITH/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Kate Hoey '14 looks for the pass as an Exeter defender charges at her.

J. SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Sarah Humes '16 blows by her Exeter defender as she drives the ball down the court.

L. LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

SLAM livened up team and crowd morale.

First Win Over Exeter in Four Years

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	38
Exeter	34

With four seconds on the clock, Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14 shut out distractions from the crowd to sink two free throws, sealing Andover Girls Basketball's 38-34 win over Exeter.

"I'll never forget looking up at the scoreboard when the buzzer went off and seeing what we accomplished. The W was all due to our discipline on defense, our underdog mentality and our extreme resilience," said Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14.

The win this Saturday avenged Andover's 53-49 loss to Exeter earlier in the season and was the team's first Andover/Exeter win in two years.

"We were inconsistent the first time we played Exeter. We had some really good defensive and offensive possessions and also some not so great ones. We focused more this game, and we executed a lot better," said Kreider.

Andover roared to a quick 5-0 lead thanks to a sharp layup by Meredith Collins '14 followed by a three-point basket from Hartung.

Emma Kelley '17 capitalized on this momentum, grabbing the ball from Exeter's offense and running it down the court to bury another three-pointer, putting Andover up 9-4.

"We were really focused on playing good defense by boxing out and getting a hand up against Exeter's really strong three-point shooters. Our good defense translated to strong offense and a positive momentum that propelled us throughout the entire game," said Sarah Humes '16.

At the half, Andover led 17-13.

"During halftime, Hartung and Kreider both pumped up the team, giving us advice and words of encouragement. Coming out of halftime, we were ready to wreck the Ex," said Kelley.

Andover proved its offensive prowess in the second half, with Kreider and Hartung leading the charge, scoring overall eight and nine points, respectively. Kelley and Kate Hoey '14 both put up six points.

With seven minutes left to go in the game, Kelley sank another three-pointer, putting Andover up 28-20, and Hartung followed that up with two baskets in a row of her own, making the score 32-23.

"When Hartung hit those shots near the end of the game, the entire bench and crowd exploded. It was the best feeling to pull ahead," said Kelley.

Exeter responded with a burst of offensive intensity, tying the game 32-32 with two minutes on the clock.

Determined to bring home the win, Cara Cavanaugh '15 lept for an offensive rebound and scored a basket to help Andover scrape ahead 34-32.

Thanks to two free throws from Hoey and Kreider each, Andover's victory over Exeter was secured, and fans stormed the court to celebrate the team's victory.

"It was great to end our season with a bang on our home court in front of our families, friends and teachers and give the Seniors the win that they deserved," said Humes.

Hartung said, "Beating Exeter was without a doubt the best moment of my entire Andover career. It was seriously the greatest feeling to walk off that court after a W and celebrate our Big Blue pride."

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3rd Matchup Leads to Loss

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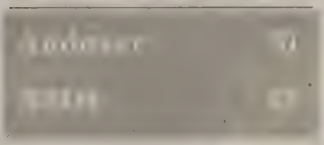

Grabbing a crucial rebound, Co-Captain Katie Kreider '14 sprinted down the court with the ball. Looked ahead, she connected with Kasey Hartung '14 through a perfectly placed bounce pass. Laying the ball in, Hartung closed the 4-point gap with two minutes remaining in the game.

Tied at 51-51, the play between Andover Girls Basketball's Co-Captains forced Wednesday's playoff game against NMH into overtime. Andover, however, could not close the deal, and NMH won 55-51.

Even though Andover had lost to NMH, the top seeded team, twice by 16 and 33 points earlier in the season, this contest did not yield such a dramatic point gap.

Andover went into the game with confidence and positive momentum after its victory over Exeter on Saturday.

"Our strategy was to really focus on executing everything, and doing the same kind of thing we were doing with Exeter - making our transitions on defense and making our quick transitions in the 2-3 zone to block NMH's good shooters," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

NMH grabbed an early 8-point lead that Andover quickly shut down. Towards the middle of the first half, Hartung, Kate Hoey '14 and Sarah Humes '16 led the Andover scoring charge with six three-pointers. Andover was leading NMH 18-2.

"We started boxing them out better and shutting them out. We were forcing a lot of turnovers, and making a lot of steals because we were very quick on defense. Everything was coming together. We were playing with a lot of intensity, and we really wanted it," said Humes.

At 6'3", Cara Cavanaugh '15 played a key offensive role, leaping for rebounds and adding vital points from the post.

By halftime, Andover had turned the tide, leading 28-20.

"We completely shut NMH out in the first half, which was something they really weren't expecting after they already had two wins against us under their belt. They got thrown off," said Emma Kelley '17.

NMH came out with more confidence in the second half, fueled by a huge crowd.

Even though Andover's shots weren't falling, the team executed well on defense.

"We were stopping shots and putting a hand in NMH's face, limiting NMH's three pointers much more than in the first half," said Kelley.

At the final buzzer, the score was 51-51, launching the game into a four-minute overtime.

In overtime Andover still had difficulty finding the net. NMH scored two baskets, making the final score 55-51.

"We were obviously disappointed, but it was a good game to end the season on. Beating Exeter and then going into overtime against the best team in our league is huge for us," said Humes.

Bergeron said, "We went in with the goals to rebound and play good defense, and we did just that. We did what we wanted to do, but they beat us by a few baskets. We really proved ourselves and showed the incredible progress we've made over the season."

2/26/14

Sport: Boys Varsity Hockey

Year: 2014

Captains: David Belluche, Michael Kim, Michael Lata

Coach: Dean Boylan

Assistant Coaches: Matt Hession, Jon Morin

SEASON RECORD

WON 16 LOST 7 TIED 4

LETTER WINNERS

Ackil, Bryan
Belluche, David
Bensen, Gordon
Bishop, Thomas
Cline, John
Coulter, Gordon
Daly, Patrick
Devaney, Robert
Festa, John
Gorski, Nicholas
Guvelioglu, Lara
Jancsy, Payton
Kim, Michael
Lata, Michael
Liu, Zicong
Maag, Ian
McGreal, Michael
Meyerrose, Henry
Moss, Kyle
Pelton, Jacob
Tomsik, Jacob
Tucker, John
Weinger, Zachary
Wurman, Erik

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Boys Varsity Hockey
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Ht.	Wgt.	Pos.	Hometown
2	Moss, Kyle	2015	5'11	188	D	Sutton, MA
3	Meyerrose, Henry	2017	6'0	185	F	Norwich, VT
5	Bishop, Thomas	2014	5'8	155	F	North Chelmsford, MA
6	Jancsy, Payton	2016	5'10	180	D	Marblehead, MA
7	Bensen, Gordon	2014	6'2	205	F	Norwich, VT
8	Tomsik, Jacob	2017	5'7	140	F	Medway, MA
9	Devaney, Robert	2014	5'7	160	F	Reading, MA
10	Ackil, Bryan	2014	6'0	187	F	Southborough, MA
11	Lata, Michael*	2014	6'2	200	F	Toronto, ON, CAN
12	Tucker, John	2014	6'1	170	F	Wenham, MA
13	Weinger, Zachary	2015	5'10	185	F	Hollywood, FL
14	Coulter, Gordon	2016	6'1	180	F	Toronto, ON, CAN
15	Kim, Michael*	2014	5'11	200	D	Toronto, ON, CAN
17	Liu, Zicong	2016	6'0	185	D	Tewksbury, MA
18	Gorski, Nicholas	2014	6'2	215	D	Sandown, NH
20	Belluche, David*	2014	6'1	205	D	Andover, MA
21	McGreal, Michael	2017	5'10	155	D	North Reading, MA
22	Festa, John	2015	6'2	182	F	Lynnfield, MA
23	Cline, John	2014	6'2	185	D	Tampa, FL
24	Daly, Patrick	2015	6'1	185	F	Hamilton, MA
25	Maag, Ian	2014	6'1	200	F	Marblehead, MA
30	Wurman, Erik	2015	5'11	165	G	Acton, MA
35	Pelton, Jacob	2014	6'5	195	G	Syracuse, NY

**Captains*

Coach: Dean Boylan

Assistant Coaches: Matt Hession, Jon Morin

Managers: Sara Brown '14, Lara Guvelioglu '16,
Alison Hill '15, Tessa Peterson '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
11/16 @ 6:00 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Game	scrim
12/6 @ 5:15 PM	Brewster Academy	H	Game	W 7-1
12/7 @ 3:45 PM	Pomfret	H	Game	W 7-2
12/9 @ 5:15 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	L 4-5
12/13 @ 5:15 PM	New Hampton	H	Game	W 3-0
12/20 @ 1:00 PM	Flood Marr - Nobles		Game	L 2-3
12/21 @ 11:00 AM	Flood Marr - Westminster		Game	L 1-2
12/21 @ 7:00 PM	Flood Marr - Hotchkiss		Game	W 3-2 OT
12/22 @ 8:00 AM	Flood Marr-- Milton		Game	W 3-2
1/8 @ 3:45 PM	Tilton		Game	W 3-0
1/11 @ 4:30 PM	Exeter		Game	L 1-7
1/15 @ 5:30 PM	St. Sebastian's	H	Game	W 5-4
1/17 @ 5:30 PM	Thayer		Game	L 1-5
1/18 @ 4:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	W 8-4
1/22 @ 4:15 PM	Winchendon	H	Game	W 6-4
1/25 @ 4:15 PM	Loomis		Game	T 2-2
1/29 @ 4:00 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	T 4-4
1/31 @ 5:00 PM	Belmont Hill		Game	T 1-1
2/1 @ 5:30 PM	Dexter Southfield School	H	Game	W 4-3 OT
2/6 @ 5:45 PM	K.U.A.		Game	L 1-4
2/7 @ 6:15 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 7-1
2/12 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing	H	Game	W 6-3
2/14 @ 6:30 PM	Tabor		Game	W 5-2
2/15 @ 4:00 PM	Brooks		Game	W 3-2
2/19 @ 4:30 PM	N.M.H.		Game	W 3-1
2/22 @ 4:15 PM	Exeter	H	Game	T 3-3
2/26 @ 3:45 PM	Taft	H	Tournament	W 3-2
3/1 @ 2:20 PM	Loomis Chaffee	H	Tournament	L 1-2

Boys Reign in the Rink; Score 18 Goals in Three Games

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Brewster	1

Andover	7
Pomfret	2

Andover	4
St. Paul's	5

Bryan Ackil '14 and Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 each scored within ten seconds during the third period to put Andover up 7-2 against Pomfret, shutting the door for Andover's opponent.

Powerful offensive production has been the theme so far this season for Andover, which has outscored its opponents 18-8 in the last three games.

Andover beat Brewster Academy 7-1 for the season opener, following this first win with a 7-2 victory over Pomfret before dropping a game against St. Paul's.

Pat Daly '15 had four goals in the first two games.

"It was the result of a lot of good chemistry on my line. Zach Weinger '15 and John Festa '15 both moved the puck well, and Festa had a great shot against Pomfret that I just put in the rebound for," said Daly.

The players feel that the team has come together well at this point in the season.

"Good chemistry just started in the fall with the skating sessions and just bonding on campus. We're lucky it's come along early in the season and that's an advantage for us," said Payton Jancsy '16. Jancsy tallied two assists against Pomfret.

Andover's 18 goals have been scored by a range of players focused on high performance. Daly and Lata both have four goals so far, Rob Devaney '14 has three and Captain David Belluche '14 has two. Ackil, Tommy Bishop '14, Peter Benson '14, Gordon Coulter '16 and Kyle Moss '14 each have one goal.

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A third period goal from Bryan Ackil '14 helped put Andover up 7-2 against Pomfret.

"We've got a lot of guys scoring, [which] is exactly what we need. It's not one or two guys pulling the team," said Belluche.

However, the biggest problem for Andover has been staying out of the penalty box. Although scoring more than double the amount of goals than they allowed over three games should point to a spotless record, Andover took a loss against St. Pauls because of its foul play after cruising for the first two games.

Coulter said, "We'd been getting into the penalty box too much, and teams can take advantage of that."

Jancsy said, "You can't control what the referees are going to call or not call, and we just need to make smarter plays so it's not up to the refs to decide."

Andover was down 4-1 after the second period, but made a charge during the second. The team scored three goals and kept the puck in the St. Paul's zone for most of the period.

When asked how to maintain that level of play, Lata said, "We need to play like our back is up against the wall the whole time."

Allowing three St. Paul's goals in the second period proved to be too big of a setback for Andover and it lost 4-5.

"We need to play with more intensity in the first and second periods. There are 54 minutes in a game, and we need to play hard all 54 minutes," said Jancsy.

Andover faces off against New Hampton at home on Friday before going away for six games, four of which will occur in the Flood Marr Tournament, which takes place from December 20-22.

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Season Preview: Belluche Leads Team to Strong Start

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Captain David Belluche '14 left a Pomfret defender on the ice in the 7-2 win.

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Captain David Belluche '14 delivered a huge hit on a Brewster Academy forward, drawing shouts from the home crowd and setting the tone for the rest of the game. Big Blue hockey went on to win its season opener 7-1.

Boys Hockey has shown off its offensive prowess for the start of the season. A deep roster with good chemistry has resulted in Andover outscoring opponents 18-8 over the course of its first three games.

"This year we have more lines that can hurt up front than we have had before. Everyone has been pulling their weight, so we've been getting balanced scoring. That has been one of the keys to our success so far," said Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14.

Belluche looks forward to his last season on the ice with players, both new and returning, who have been more than up for the challenge so far. "I think we've got a lot of guys that are stepping into big roles. We lost a lot of Seniors but everybody is realizing that the younger guys have to step up and play a big role this year, and the Seniors are doing a good job of leading the team," said Belluche.

"It's a work in progress, as it always is, and we just have to make sure we continue to improve every practice and every game," said Head Coach Dean Boylan on the importance of not getting complacent with the team's strong start.

He is also working to keep the team in the moment. "What we try to do is focus on the next practice, and the next practice after that. If we are doing that, we will end up playing better in the next game, and each game goes shift by shift," Boylan continued.

While it has gotten off to a fast start, the team continues to improve. As the leadership, coaching and talent come together, Big Blue hockey will be a formidable team this season.

12/13/13

Wurman Saves Second Shutout

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Tilton	0

Rushing down the ice on a 2-on-1 break, Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 fed the puck to Tommy Bishop '14 who fired it short side past the goalie for Andover's first goal of the night.

Andover Boys Hockey went on to win 3-0 against Tilton Academy, propelling the team to a 6-3 record this season.

"It was a good win to start the second half of the season with. It was a solid effort," said Bryan Ackil '14.

Andover played high quality hockey for three periods in all three zones. In each period, the team scored a goal while preventing Tilton from gaining an extended foothold in Andover's defensive zone.

"We battled down low really well in the defensive zone and at point in the offensive zone. There's a lot of good teamwork and chemistry in all the lines," said Peter Bensen '14.

Offensively, the theme of effective production continued. Three different players scored and each line moved the puck well. Bishop scored in the first period, Rob Devaney '14 in the second and Gordon Coulter '16 in the third.

Defensively, Andover had an airtight night. Blocking shot after shot and pushing the puck up the ice quickly forced Tilton to play at Andover's demanding pace of hockey.

Goalie Erik Wurman '15 did not allow a single shot to get past him on the way to his second shutout of the season.

"Wurman played unbelievably today, he came up with a bunch of great saves," said Bensen.

While Andover had trouble staying out of the penalty box earlier in the season, the amount of penalties have dropped. The team did not have penalty trouble at Flood Marr tournament and only received three against Tilton.

"We need to keep it up, we've been playing well and obviously this game is going to mean a bit more," said Lata.

Coulter added, "The key is pushing the puck forward, which we did well against Tilton. Shots on net are what we need and we have been doing that."

"Our defense has been winning battles down low and getting the puck out of our zone, and that needs to continue," said Bensen.

Overall, it was exactly the performance that Andover had been looking for. Improving each facet of its game, the team impressed all just a few days before a crucial match up against Exeter.

Lata concluded, "The hour bus ride is enough to start preparing. Everyone feels different, everyone has a little extra jump when they play Exeter. I'm sure we'll be fine."

The game against Tilton gives Andover momentum and confidence as the team prepares to play Exeter away on Saturday. 1/10/14

Shot Blocking Develops at Tourney

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Captain David Belluche '14 received the puck in the slot and ripped a shot past the goalie to defeat Hotchkiss 3-2 in overtime, securing Andover Boys Hockey's first victory in the Flood Marr Tournament.

Andover went 2-2 during the three-day tournament, which was hosted by Milton Academy and Noble and Greenough.

Andover was forced to play its best, with each of its games decided by one point. Andover consistently contested all three zones of the rink.

Andover has both allowed and scored nine goals over four games, losing its first game against Nobles 3-2 and the second against Westminster 2-1.

"In the first two games, there were a few mental errors that ended up costing us. At such a high level, even the smallest errors can determine the outcomes of such close games," said John Festa '15.

Players new to the Flood Marr tournament had difficulty adjusting to the high speed on the ice. "The speed in the games was a lot faster, which a lot of the new players, like myself, were not used to," said Gordon Coulter '16.

After losing two tight games, Andover managed to secure a 3-2 win against Hotchkiss in a thrilling, overtime ending.

When asked if the two previous losses changed the mindset of the team going into the third game, Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 said, "In a perfect world it wouldn't, but after two tough losses early I think we went out just looking to have some fun and get some respect for ourselves."

John Festa '15 said, "Even when Hotchkiss tied the third game up with 40 seconds left, we kept our focus and Belluche came through with the overtime winner."

Coach Dean Boylan wrote in an email to *The Phillipian*, "I liked the way we rebounded from adversity in the first two games. Against good teams there is a very small margin of error—we need to understand that and make sure we concentrate on the details in all three zones."

Belluche added, "[In] the final two games we just tried to keep it simple in the defensive zone and worked from there."

Following the Hotchkiss game, Andover played its final game of the tournament against Milton. In a fast-paced, back-and-forth game, Andover came out on top, winning 3-2.

"We were successful at the end because we used our speed to push the pace and make teams skate with us rather than playing at their tempo," said Lata.

The difference between a victory and defeat at Flood Marr often came down to a key deflection in the slot, a crucial check to regain the puck or right positioning at the right time.

"We found a way to win in our last two, and very simply that was the difference. Took some character and we are happy to see that," wrote Coach Boylan. "We now need to build on those games and continue to find a way to win."

However, Payton Jancsy '16, thought the victories were owing to a different reason. "The difference was the white jerseys. Both the times we wore white jerseys, we won."

Whether it was the white jerseys, playing with something to prove or playing with improved focus, Andover left Flood Marr with two hard fought wins and stronger team chemistry.

Jancsy added, "The most memorable part of Flood Marr was the night before our Nobles game when the whole team made a quick drive over to the Loop to catch Anchorman 2. That's what sports is all about—the relationships you form with your teammates."

Andover will play its first of two matchups against its rival Exeter on Saturday.

1/10/14

Boys Clinch Overtime Win with Hat-Trick From Kim

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	7
Andover	5
St .Sebastian's	4

Less than a minute into overtime, Assistant Captain Michael Kim '14 received a backhand saucer pass from other Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 in the slot and buried it in the back of the net for a game-winner against St. Sebastian's.

Coming off a loss to Exeter earlier in the week, Andover Boys Hockey managed to rally late in the game to beat St. Sebastian's in overtime 5-4.

Andover suffered a 1-7 loss to Exeter on Saturday in the first of two contests between the teams this season. Andover did not have the performance it needed to upset Exeter, the favorite, going into the game.

A disciplinary problem from the beginning of the season came back to haunt the team. Andover took a significant amount of penalties, allowing Exeter to capitalize four times on subsequent power plays.

"We need to stay out of the box, when we're taking ten-plus penalties a game and letting up four power play goals, we are destroying our chances of winning the game," said Captain David Belluche '14.

Kyle Moss '15, who scored Andover's only goal, added "When you're playing a man down, it takes energy out of a lot of players. If we can kill a penalty, some of the energy comes back, but we can't kill all the penalties."

Because the majority of Exeter's lead came from power plays, the team knows that cleaner hockey will go a long way towards a closer game next meeting. It has used the loss as motivation to push harder during practice.

"I think you can ask any of our players [that] there's been an increase of intensity. I think everyone sort of hung their heads this week, and they want that puck more during practice," said Lata.

"The next time we play [Exeter], it's going to be a completely different game. Everybody is really focused. Nobody is taking that loss as a way to look down on the season, but rather, as fuel to work harder for the rest of the season," added John Festa '15.

"We are going to put that one behind us and move forward. We need to learn from the mistakes and not repeat them," said Head Coach Dean Boylan.

On Wednesday, Andover squared off against St. Sebastian's, eager to have a better game in front of the home crowd.

"We were all very focused, and excited to get back out there. We tried to put Exeter behind us and play as well as we could as a team," said Patrick Daly '15, who had a goal against St. Sebastian's.

Andover went into the second period tied 1-1, with the first of three goals from Kim keeping the team in the game.

Andover outshot St. Sebastian's by more than fifteen shots in the second period, but went into the locker room down 1-2.

"I told them they had to do the exact same thing in the third period, and if they had faith the pucks would start to go in. We had been controlling the game for the last two periods and we had to continue to do that," said Coach Boylan.

The team quickly fell behind 1-3 in the third, but Daly sniped the top right corner just two minutes later to keep the game close.

However, St. Sebastian's would not let off the pressure, as another goal pushed the margin back to two goals 2-4.

With less than two minutes left in regulation, Kim slipped the puck past St. Sebastian's goalie to bring the game back within reach.

Then, with 32 seconds left in the game, Tommy Bishop '14 tied the game up 4-4 after a ferocious struggle in the offensive zone.

"We had been working so hard during those two minutes, and just trying to get shots on net, and we got a lucky bounce. It felt great to send it into overtime," said Bishop.

It took less than a minute into overtime to end the game. Andover's momentum would not be denied. Kim ripped one home for his third goal of the game.

"Michael Kim is the best!" said Lata.

Kim stressed how much of a team effort the victory was, despite scoring three goals. "It felt great. What matters is that the team got the win! I was in the right place at the right time. I thought we played a great overall game and the team showed a lot of persistence at the end with our goalie pulled."

After a thrilling win, Andover will focus on the upcoming back-to-back games against Thayer and Noble & Greenough.

As the season progresses, the team's mind turns towards the playoffs. "We can't lose many games to teams we should be able to beat; these games matter down the stretch for the playoffs," said Gordon Coulter '16.

1/17/14

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Known for his agility, Rob Devaney '14 led Reading High to the Middlesex title last season.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Tommy Bishop '14 was named MVP for the Merrimack Valley/Dual County League last year.

Boys Return to the Ice with a Vengeance: Early Loss Leads to Double Victories

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Thayer	5
Andover	8
Nobles	4
Andover	6
Winchendon	4

Rob Devaney '14 skated down the ice, corralled the puck and snapped a blistering shot into the top left corner past Winchendon's goalie to score a shorthanded goal. Andover went up 6-3 and put the game out of reach.

After a busy week with three games, Andover has a 9-5 record. Losing to Thayer by a margin of 1-5, the team responded with an 8-4 win against Nobles, to whom it had lost previously in the Flood Marr tournament. The team followed up with a 6-3 victory against Winchendon.

In the first game, Thayer's strong offense established a quick lead that proved to be too large for Andover to overcome.

"Against Thayer, we came out flat. We had a couple of defensive breakdowns, [and] they were able to get a quick lead on us," said Payton Jancsy '16. "We only played in spurts, and that's not what we needed."

Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 added, "We had to battle back from an early deficit, and not being able to play consistently shift by shift hurt us as well."

The team played the following day in front of the home crowd for a rematch against the top-ten ranked Nobles squad.

Playing at home has been a significant advantage for the team, which has won six out of the seven games held at Harrison Rink.

Andover's powerful offense clicked, as the team scored a season high of eight goals. The captains combined for five of them: Assistant Captain Michael Kim '14 and Lata scored two each and Captain David Belluche '14 had one. Patrick Daly '15, Zach Weinger '15 and Rob Devaney '14 also scored.

Nobles netted three consecutive goals in the second period to grab a 4-3 lead, but Andover quickly answered back with two quick goals of its own.

"With both teams, it became a run-and-gun kind of hockey game, which is not the style that either team wanted to play. But I was very happy that we came back right away to take the lead back," said Head Coach Dean Boylan.

Andover's streak started with a power-play goal. "[We] all knew we had to score there. Getting that goal created confidence for all of us and that one goal set off the rest," said Lata.

Heading into the third period with a 5-4 lead, Andover prevented any scores from the opponent while simultaneously tacking on three more goals of its own to win the game 8-4.

"It's really simple: against Thayer we did not play for 54 minutes, but against Nobles we did," said Coach Boylan.

Andover continued scoring against Winchendon on Wednesday. Special teams was the anchor for Andover's offense, scoring two power-play goals and three shorthanded. The first period ended 1-1, with Lata scoring for Andover.

In the second, the team played assertively with goals from Daly, Weinger and Lata, his second of the game, to put the team up 4-1.

"We did a good job getting pucks to the net and our forwards made some great plays in the offensive zone," said Kim.

Winchendon, however, refused to let Andover continue dominating the game. Minutes into the third period, Winchendon scored two quick goals to cut Andover's lead to just one.

"We got sloppy in the third with those two goals," said Coach Boylan.

Devaney added, "We'd been getting up on teams and we tend to relax. We need to be that team that just puts as many in the net as we can."

With just a lead of just one goal for Andover, Jancsy capitalized to make the score 5-3. Devaney followed with his shorthanded goal.

With the playoffs approaching, Andover will travel to Loomis on Saturday and looks to improve and capture another important win. 1/24/14

J.SCHMITT *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Zach Weinger '15 races for the puck against Nobles.

Boys Tied Up, Struggle to Seal Wins

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Loomis	2

Andover	4
Deerfield	4

A Deerfield forward streaked down the ice towards Andover Boys Hockey goalie Erik Wurman '15 in a one-on-one situation. With the team's momentum on the line, Wurman slid to his left and made a spectacular glove save to hold Andover's lead at 4-1.

Despite some great moments, Andover has struggled to produce wins over the past two weeks. The team tied against Loomis 2-2 on Saturday and Deerfield 4-4 on Wednesday.

Against Loomis, Andover secured a 2-0 lead in the third period with goals from John Festa '15 and Rob Devaney '14.

The team, however, allowed two goals in the last seven minutes of the third period, ending the game in a 2-2 tie.

One of those goals came with 25 seconds left in the third period as Loomis pulled its goalie in a risky gamble that paid off.

"Our coaches have been emphasizing playing all 54 minutes. Even when we were up 2-0 near the end of the third period, we learned that if we take a shift off, we give teams a chance to take a win away from us," said Captain David Belluche '14.

Not playing assertive, fast-paced hockey proved to be costly coming down the stretch for the team.

"We let them take the play to us rather than pushing the puck into their end. All we did was try to prevent them from scoring, and we stopped moving our feet," said Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14.

On Wednesday, against Deerfield, Andover fought for a 4-1 lead going into the last six minutes of the game.

Although goals from Festa, Kyle Moss '15, Pat Daly '15 and Rob Devaney '14 secured the lead for Andover, Deerfield found a way to fight back, scoring a power-play goal to narrow the gap to 4-2.

Thirty seconds later, Deerfield managed to tack on another goal.

"For the first 48 minutes, we are outworking them, we are hitting them and we are getting shots on their goalie. Then when it comes to the last six minutes, we back off and play defensively but the other team just runs over us," said Festa.

Deerfield kept pushing, eventually tying the game and forcing overtime to finish 4-4.

"Momentum started going their way and instead of trying to fight back we let them step all over us," said Devaney.

Andover knows that some areas, specifically clearing the puck out of the defensive zone, need improvement if the team is to make it deep into the playoffs.

"We need to chip pucks out of the defensive zone. At the end of the game, we need to keep them out of our zone. Playing simple hockey will help," said Devaney.

Head Coach Dean Boylan said, "We have some key games coming up, and we certainly need to clean up the way we're playing. We need to play the last six minutes the same way we were playing the first 48 [minutes]."

Andover will travel to face Belmont Hill on Friday before coming back home to play Dexter on Saturday.

Lata said, "To beat teams from now on, we can't make those small, mental errors. With the quality of the teams we're playing, if we take a shift off, they will make us pay." 1/31/14

J.SCHMITT *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Michael Kim, David Belluche and Michael Lata

BOYS HOCKEY

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After three years of skating on Andover ice, Captain David Belluche '14 and Assistant Co-Captains Michael Kim '14 and Michael Lata '14 look to lead the team to the playoffs this season, a feat that no past captains have been able to accomplish in their Andover Boys Hockey careers.

With a record of 9-5-2, the team is well on its way to reaching its goal. The leadership and team unity promoted by the captains has played a huge factor in the teams success this far into the season.

"We have team dinners every night and spend the majority of our time together during the season. We do homework together, and odds are if you see one hockey player, one or two others are not far behind," said Belluche.

Belluche is a day student from Andover, Mass., and has been a powerful player and leader since the moment he put on his blue jersey.

"Belluche is the most vocal leader in the locker room. He does a really good job of always trying to pick kids up and keeping things positive. He never lets us think we are better than we are, but also never lets us get too down ourselves. He is a very supportive leader and does a great job of bringing our team together," said Peter Bensen '14.

Not only has Belluche worked to unify the team, but he is also an active leader in both the locker room and on the ice.

"One thing David does well that makes the difference between being a good captain and a great captain is his ability to lead by example. He's not always the one vocalizing the game plan, he just goes out there and gets it done, and everyone follows his lead," said Payton Jancsy '16.

Both Kim and Lata reside in Toronto, Canada and have been playing hockey from a very young age. The duo balance each other out well, as Lata pumps up the team, while Kim leads less vocally and more by example.

"Lata does a great job of bringing energy on the ice. He'll be out there getting all of the boys fired up, but at the same time he keeps his composure and gets everybody mentally prepared to leave it all on the ice," said Jancsy.

Lata's skill set as a player has also been very influential and aided the team to many victories.

"Lata is our 'clutch' leader. You can always count on him to make a game-changing play. Whether it's a goal, an assist, a big hit or a won battle along the wall, he steps up at the right time and gives us momentum," said Bensen.

Kim is known for his consistent hard work at practice and on game days, and he serves as a role model for the younger players.

"There is no one on the team [who] doesn't look up to Kim. He works incredibly hard and leads by example. Although he doesn't say much, when he says something, everyone listens up because he always has something good to say," said Bensen.

After overcoming a few challenges and tough losses, the team is on the upswing, thanks to spectacular leadership from the three captains. "We lost to Exeter 7-1 first weekend back, and we responded really well to that by winning three of our next four games. I was especially proud of the way we picked ourselves up after this loss. We lost a lot of Seniors last year, and the new guys and underclassmen have come up and filled big roles," said Lata.

The passion, motivation and unity that the captains demonstrate to the team is what has made its successes possible.

"My favorite part of hockey season is seeing these guys everyday after school at the rink. There's just nothing better than doing things together as a team, whether it's playing a game or catching a movie," said Kim.

"What I love about hockey season is that no matter what's happening in your life outside of hockey, whether your mom's mad at you or you're having school problems, it all goes away for that hour and a half of practice everyday," said Belluche.

1/31/14

Three Ties Culminate with OT Win

John Festa '15 deftly handles the puck.

I.TAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Dexter	1

Andover	2
Belmont Hill	1

From behind the Dexter Southfield net, Rob Devaney '14 passed the puck to Tommy Bishop '14, who then snapped a shot and beat the Dexter goalie's glove to secure a long-awaited overtime win for Andover Boys Hockey.

Andover goes into its final seven games of the season with a 10-5-3 record.

Coming out flat against Dexter on Saturday, Andover quickly fell behind 1-3 in the first period because of various mistakes.

Andover refused to give up, though, and regained its composure and took control of the game for the next two periods. With minutes left in the game, Assistant Captain Michael Kim '14 took a slapshot from the point, creating a scramble in front of the net, and, with 14 seconds on the clock, Devaney found the loose puck and tucked it in the net, tying the score.

"We came back with two strong periods and were able to tie the game. I thought we had good execution with our goalie pulled," wrote Head Coach Dean Boylan in an email to *The Phillipian*.

"Being able to fight back and steal the game was the best," said Bishop, who buried the puck in the back of the net to seal the overtime victory for Andover.

Prior to Saturday's win against Dexter, Andover had tied three games in a row.

One tie was against Belmont Hill last Friday. Andover's lone goal in the game came early in the third period when Kim drove past a Belmont Hill defender and fed Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 a shot into the open net.

Belmont Hill tied the game up on a powerplay goal late in the third period, and although Andover outshot Belmont Hill 6-1 in overtime, the game ended in Andover's third consecutive tie.

"I thought we played a very solid game against Belmont Hill Friday. We had our chances, but just couldn't quite finish," said Boylan.

"Even though we gave up a lead against Belmont Hill, it wasn't in the same way [as the previous games]," said Peter Bensen '14.

In its two previous ties, Andover suffered letdowns late in the third period, giving up two and three goal leads to Loomis Chaffee and Deerfield respectively.

With so many close games ending in unfavorable outcomes for Andover, the team struggled to remain patient and focused, especially because many slow starts and relaxing on the ice had costed the team a few games.

"We needed to come out in the first period a little bit more fired up to play. There is an extra gear that we can play at, but we don't always play to that level," said Bensen.

Andover's elusive win at home on Saturday improved its impressive home record. The team has only lost one game and tied one game at home this season.

"Dexter is a top-eight team, and we played right with them except for the beginning of the game when we had a little breakdown," said Payton Jancsy '16. "We were down and we fought to the end. If teams come back against us, why couldn't we do it to them?"

With playoffs drawing closer each week, Andover's position to make the Elite Eight tournament is in contention.

"Honestly, we have been playing well. We can't get discouraged, and the goals are going to come if we keep playing tough," said Bensen.

Andover travelled up to Kimball Union Academy, ranked at 11, in its rescheduled game on Thursday and will face off against Governor's on Friday at home.

2/7/14

Boys Knock Off Top Five Ranked Cushing

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Cushing	1

Andover	7
Governor's	1

Andover	1
Kimball Union	4

I.TAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Patrick Daly '15 battles through a Governor's center in Andover's 7-1 win.

John Festa '15 received the puck from Patrick Daly '15 on a breakaway, faked out the Cushing goalie and backhand toe-dragged for the finish to put Andover Boys Hockey up 5-2 in the third period.

Andover went 2-1 this past week, losing a game to Kimball Union Academy (KUA) before firing back against Governor's and Cushing.

The team's record now stands at 12-6-3 with four games left to play in the regular season.

Andover traveled up to KUA on Thursday and took a 1-4 loss. Despite having played a solid game and being only a point behind going into the third period, the team made a few errors that its opponents took advantage of with a strong transition offense.

"It was a close game but we made a couple, very costly mistakes. We got a little too casual with the puck," said Head Coach Dean Boylan.

Goalie Erik Wurman '15 added, "Sometimes we let a guy behind our defense, and we need to be picking that guy up. We also need to protect the puck better, we have had too many turnovers."

Coming off the disappointing loss, Andover came back against Governor's at home on Friday night.

Captain David Belluche '14 lead the offensive charge, scoring three goals as the team routed Governor's by a score of 7-1.

"We moved the puck very well, and we were setting up our offense," said Belluche. "Everybody was feeling the puck ,and we did a good job of capitalizing."

Coach Boylan said, "We played within ourselves, we got a lot of pucks to the net and we managed to finish."

Assistant Captains Michael Kim '14 and Michael Lata '14 and Peter Bensen '14 and Daly scored a goal each.

On Wednesday, Andover continued its season-long dominance at home, beating top-five ranked Cushing by a margin of 6-3.

"We always had tough battles against Cushing, and we definitely wanted to beat them in front of the home crowd," said Belluche.

The team continued to dominate offensively, with six different players scoring against Cushing. Each line passed the puck well and waited patiently for the best possible shot on each possession.

Andover took a 2-0 lead in the first period. With goals from Zachary Weinger '15 and Kyle Moss '14, the team did not give up its lead for the entire game.

"We played together as a team, and we needed to do that against this very tough team. That needs to continue because that has been working for us over the last couple games," said Festa.

Andover allowed two goals in the second period, but goals from Tommy Bishop '14 and Kim helped to keep its momentum going.

In the third period, Festa and Rob Devaney '14 both scored, extending the Andover lead to 6-2 before Cushing scored a goal with two minutes left in the game.

"It was a big win. We did a good job of protecting our lead tonight. We got a lot of pucks on net and were able to capitalize," said Coach Boylan.

Andover has four games left in the regular season, with only one at home against Exeter, but the team is taking a game-by-game approach.

"Honestly, we shouldn't be looking towards Exeter right now. We have a series of tough games coming up, and we need to go win those first," said Lata.

Andover travels to Tabor on Friday, to its cross-town rival Brooks on Saturday and finally to Northfield Mount Hermon on Wednesday.

JWOLFE *THE PHILLIPIAN*

John Festa '15 races for the puck against two frozen opponents.

Boys Hockey Cruises to Four-Game Winning Streak

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Tabor	2

Andover	3
Brooks	2

Andover	3
NMH	1

A minute and a half after Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 tied Andover Boys Hockey's game 2-2 against Brooks on Saturday, Rob Devaney '14 picked up the puck in Andover's zone and rushed down the ice. He patiently toe-dragged around a Brooks defender and fired the puck into the top right corner with a one minute left in the game. The last-minute goal extended Andover's winning streak to four games.

Andover Boys Hockey played three games this week against Tabor, Brooks and Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH), winning all three in decisive fashion.

Andover played a clean game against Tabor, winning by a margin of 5-2.

"We knew [Tabor] was going to be a big game. They have a great fan section, and we really wanted to win in their barn, so I think the guys all fed off of that energy," said Captain David Belluche '14.

Once again, the team distributed the puck effectively, leading to four different players scoring.

Patrick Daly '15, Nick Gorski '14 and John Festa '15 each scored one goal apiece, and Tommy Bishop '14 scored two for Andover.

"We played really well in the Tabor game just from top to bottom," said Lata. "We took it to them the whole game."

The team's next game was at crosstown rival Brooks. Thanks to late goals from Devaney, as well as a goal from Lata, Andover kept its winning streak alive.

Brooks controlled most of the first two periods, and Andover struggled to find its rhythm.

"We didn't play as well, but we did manage to gut it out in the third period," said Lata.

Belluche continued, "That's something we've been doing a lot this year. In the third period, we came out hard, we changed our game and we knew the goals would come."

Andover has been on the other end of the comeback before, and the team worked hard to make sure closing games out would not be a problem and that it could play hard late in the game.

The team played NMH on Wednesday, looking to continue its streak before returning home for the final game of the season against Exeter.

Against NMH, Andover maintained its high level of play, beating its opponent 3-1. This win brought the team its fifth win in a row.

"Everyone is playing extremely well, and we're doing what it takes to win, game in and game out," said Assistant Captain Michael Kim '14.

Three players scored for Andover, with goals coming from Zach Weinger '15, Peter Bensen '14 and Belluche.

Andover had an impressive night defensively as well, holding the talented NMH offense to just one goal.

With the win, the team moved close to qualifying for the Elite Eight tournament. The Elite Eight is separate from the regular playoffs, and—should it qualify—the team will face the highest level of competition.

The team has one game left against Exeter before entering the playoffs. Andover hopes to go into the game with a lot of momentum.

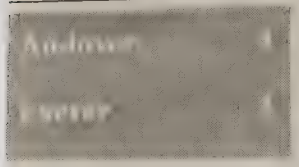
In addition, the team has only dropped one game at home this season against St. Paul's back in December.

Andover will look to put up a strong performance this Saturday in front of what will surely be a packed Harrison Rink.

2/21/14

Reedeming Tie After Falling 7-1 Earlier in Season

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Captain David Belluche '14 set up at the point and sniped the top left corner, drawing a huge roar from the crowd and widening Andover Boys Hockey's lead to 3-1.

Rowdy fans packed the Ted Harrison Rink, as the team faced off against Exeter, its rival, in the final game of the regular season last Saturday.

In a previous meeting this season, Andover fell 7-1 to Exeter. Exeter boasted an impressive 21-4-3 record, while Andover's was 15-6-4. This time, despite an early lead, Andover took a 3-3 tie against Exeter.

Andover refused to let the previous matchup loom over its head.

"I think everyone realized we are a different team now than the team we were during that loss, [and] we were very confident in ourselves," said Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14.

One minute into the game, Exeter gained a 1-0 advantage.

"We came out a little slow in the first. It took us a while to get our legs going, but about halfway through the first, we started skating with them," said Gordon Coulter '16.

With 8:30 left in the first period, Andover regained some momentum, and Zach Weinger '15 tied the game for Andover off of a rebound from a drive to the net from Patrick Daly '15.

Bryan Ackil '14 followed with another goal, giving Andover a 2-1 lead at the end of the first period.

In the second, a goal from Belluche gave Andover a commanding 3-2 lead.

Exeter, however, found ways to score late in the second and third periods to tie the game.

"We made sure everyone was trying to jump on the puck and going 110 percent," said Assistant Captain Michael Kim '14.

Andover, which frequently threatened but never scored, kept applying pressure, but Exeter's goalie secured a number of saves.

Head Coach Dean Boylan said, "We had a chance to make it 4-2. We outshot them, but we couldn't get them."

After a ferocious overtime including a power play for both Andover and Exeter, the game ended in an 3-3 tie.

"The team played a hell of a game; everyone worked their tail off, and now, we just need to keep preparing for the next game," said Kim.

Jay Tucker '14 said, "I think we responded well to tying, we left everything on the ice. Michael Lata was cramping pretty bad at the end of overtime. The kid could barely skate, but he kept going out for his shifts."

Regardless of the result, a game against Exeter was useful in preparing for the playoffs.

"We showed a lot of composure, and playing against these teams definitely helps us prepare for the playoffs," said Kim.

Boylan continued, "I thought we competed really well against Exeter. I was very proud of the way we played."

Tucker added, "It's always disappointing to tie these games when you have the lead late in the game, but we're using it as added motivation for the playoffs."

The team will be the number two seed in the large-school playoffs after ending its season with a record of 8-4-1 and only suffering one loss at home all year.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Rob Devaney '14 has been crucial to Andover's playoff advance all season.

Lata's Two Goals Propel Andover to the Semi-Finals

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Taft	2

Assistant Captain Michael Lata '14 walked off the wall in Taft's zone and snapped a hard, low shot into the bottom right corner of the opposing net to complete Andover Boys Hockey's comeback from a 0-2 deficit this past Wednesday.

As the second seed in the Martin/Earl Large School Prep Hockey Playoff Tournament, Andover faced seventh seed Taft in the tournament quarterfinals. With the home ice advantage, the team found the energy to claim three consecutive goals for a 3-2 victory.

Taft scored first with 10 minutes left in the first period and followed up almost immediately with a power play goal to take a 0-2 lead.

"We started slow. We needed to come out faster than we did, and we could not take the lead early," said Payton Jancsy '16.

Andover showed a glimmer of life late in the second period, with Lata picking the puck on the boards and firing it past the Taft goalie's shoulder to bring Andover within a goal of Taft.

"We started to turn things around about halfway through the game," said Head Coach Dean Boylan. "I thought we had another gear in us, and the boys believed they did too. Once we achieved that, the game started to turn around."

In the third period, defenseman Nick Gorski '14 finally scored off of his own rebound in front of the net to tie the game.

"We had a lot of experience being down, it was something we had done before. Especially against a talented team like this, we just had to keep digging. We knew we had it in ourselves," said Gorski.

Taft surged back and kept the puck in Andover's defensive zone.

The teams traded shots and penalties until about two minutes were left in the game. Lata took the puck and fired a shot from the point, beating the goalie to seal Andover's victory.

Although Taft was the seventh seed, Andover barely escaped an upset.

Gorski said, "It seems like in the beginning of games we like to try to be a little fancy, and once we realize that is not working, we start to grind, and that's when things start working."

Andover will face Loomis for the second time this season on Saturday and looks to avenge its previous 2-2 tie.

2/25/14

J. SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Zach Weinger '15 fends off an opponent.

Sport: Girls Varsity Hockey

Year: 2014

Captains: Renee LaMarche, Amy Morin

Coach: Steve Weiner

Assistant Coaches: Chris Gurry, Nancy Ann Little, Caroline Odden, Lindsey Weiner

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 14 TIED 3

LETTER WINNERS

Aiello, Ashlyn
Carbone, Calvin
Davidson, Alexandra
Davis, Jennifer
Dexter, Grace
Fucillo, Anna
Garrity, Caroline
Hollowell, Morgan
Kemp, Elizabeth
LaMarche, Renee
Lane, Thomas
Masotti, Courtney
McCarthy, Kelly
Morin, Amy
Nestor, Miranda
Quigley, Eliza
Sorkin, Hannah
Toffoloni, Evagelia
Toffoloni, Katerina
Toffoloni, Nikoletta
Walsh, Margaret
Welch, Kasey
Zager, Samuel

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Varsity Hockey
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Hometown
1	Aiello, Ashlyn	2014	G	Belmont, MA
2	Sorkin, Hannah	2014	F/D	Melville, NY
3	Walsh, Margaret	2014	F	Franklin, MA
5	Toffoloni, Evagelia	2015	F/D	Westwood, MA
6	Toffoloni, Nikoletta	2015	D	Westwood, MA
7	Toffoloni, Katerina	2015	F/D	Westwood, MA
8	LaMarche, Renee*	2014	F	Lynnfield, MA
9	Welch, Kasey	2016	F/D	Winchester, MA
10	Hollowell, Morgan	2014	F	Brookfield, WI
11	Morin, Amy*	2014	D	Lynnfield, MA
12	Masotti, Courtney	2017	F	Weston, MA
13	Quigley, Eliza	2015	D	Marblehead, MA
14	Davidson, Alexandra	2017	F	North Andover, MA
17	Kemp, Elizabeth	2015	F/D	Greenwich, CT
18	McCarthy, Kelly	2016	F/D	Lynnfield, MA
21	Fucillo, Anna	2015	F	Winthrop, MA
22	Davis, Jennifer	2016	F	Cincinnati, OH
23	Nestor, Miranda	2016	D	Reading, MA
25	Garrity, Caroline	2015	F	Lynnfield, MA
66	Dexter, Grace	2017	G	Portland, ME

**Captains*

Coach: Steve Weiner

Assistant Coaches: Caroline Odden, Chris Gurry, Nancy Ann Little, Lindsey Weiner

Managers: Calvin Carbone '15, Thomas Lane '15, Samuel Zager '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/6 @ 5:15 PM	B. B. & N.	H	Game	L 2-4
12/11 @ 3:15 PM	Winchendon	H	Game	W 1-0
12/14 @ 2:10 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 5-3
12/19 @ 1:45 PM	Taft		Game	L 1-2
12/19 @ 8:30 PM	Tabor at Taft		Game	L 1-6
12/20 @ 10:15 PM	Kent at Taft		Game	L 0-2
1/8 @ 4:45 PM	Dexter Southfield School		Game	L 3-5
1/10 @ 6:30 PM	Brewster Academy		Game	W 3-2
1/11 @ 5:00 PM	St. Paul's		Game	L 0-5
1/15 @ 3:00 PM	Lawrence Academy		Game	L 0-5
1/18 @ 2:30 PM	St. Mark's	H	Game	L 1-4
1/22 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing		Game	T 1-1
1/25 @ 4:00 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	T 2-2 OT
1/29 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter		Game	T 1-1 OT
2/1 @ 3:30 PM	New Hampton	H	Game	L 0-3
2/3 @ 5:15 PM	Brooks		Game	W 2-1
2/7 @ 6:00 PM	Governor's Academy		Game	L 0-1
2/12 @ 3:15 PM	Noble & Greenough		Game	L 0-3
2/14 @ 5:30 PM	Milton	H	Game	L 0-2
2/17 @ 5:00 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	L 1-6
2/19 @ 4:00 PM	Westminster	H	Game	L 0-2
2/22 @ 2:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 4-0

Highlights

Winchendon

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/11/2013 10:15 AM	H	Game		1-0

Team Effort Leads to Win

The Girls Varsity Hockey team beat Winchendon 1-0 in an exciting game. Maggie Walsh scored the game winner on a beautiful individual effort. Ashlyn Aiello turned away all shots to record the shutout. It was the team's first win of the season. A great team effort!

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/14/2013 9:10 AM	H	Game		5-3

GV Hockey beats strong NMH Team

Girls Varsity Hockey beat NMH 5-3. NMH was a skilled and aggressive opponent. The score was 1-1 after the 1st period and 3-3 after the 2nd.

Another great game by our defense, Amy Morin, Eliza Quigley, Hannah Sorkin, Kasey Welch, Miranda Nestor, and Nik Toffoloni.

Goals were by Eva Toffoloni, Hannah Sorkin, Lexi Davidson, Caroline Garrity, and Maggie Walsh.

Ashlyn Aiello stopped 30 of 33 shots while playing another good game.

The team now goes to the Taft Tournament, and its first opponent will be Tabor on Thursday morning.

Comeback Avenges Season Opener Loss

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
BB&N	4

Andover	1
Winchendon	0

With 3:26 left in the third period, Maggie Walsh '14 toe-dragged between two Winchendon defenders, faked the shot on the backhand, and wristed the puck home above the goalie's glove.

Assisted by Lexi Davidson '17, the goal was the only goal of the matchup between Andover Girls Hockey and Winchendon on Wednesday.

After dropping its first game of the season 4-2 at the hands of BB&N, Andover returned to the ice with a vengeance and trumped Winchendon 1-0.

In addition to her assist, Davidson led the team with seven shots, including five in the third period. On the defensive end of the ice, goalkeeper Ashlyn Aiello '14 recorded a shutout and prevented all of Winchendon's 23 shots from finding the back of the net.

"My line had a lot of good chance and carrying that over and turning that into goals. Also we controlled the game for the most part and we drew a lot of penalties and that allowed to be man up for a majority of the first period," said Davidson.

Although Andover fell to BB&N on Saturday, the team delivered strong individual performances. Aiello saved 19 of 23 shots for a .826 save percentage, and Hannah Sorkin '14 scored a goal and an assist.

However, with the game tied 2-2 going into the third period, Andover struggled to fill holes in defense. In final minutes of the period, BB&N scored an empty net goal while Andover attempted to get its sixth skater on the ice.

"The first game against BB&N was a great game. The outcome wasn't what we hoped for but the energy and teamwork in our game was better than ever," wrote Nikoletta Toffoloni '15 in an email to *The Phillipian*. "Even though we lost, we realized that if we work together and motivate each other, we can succeed."

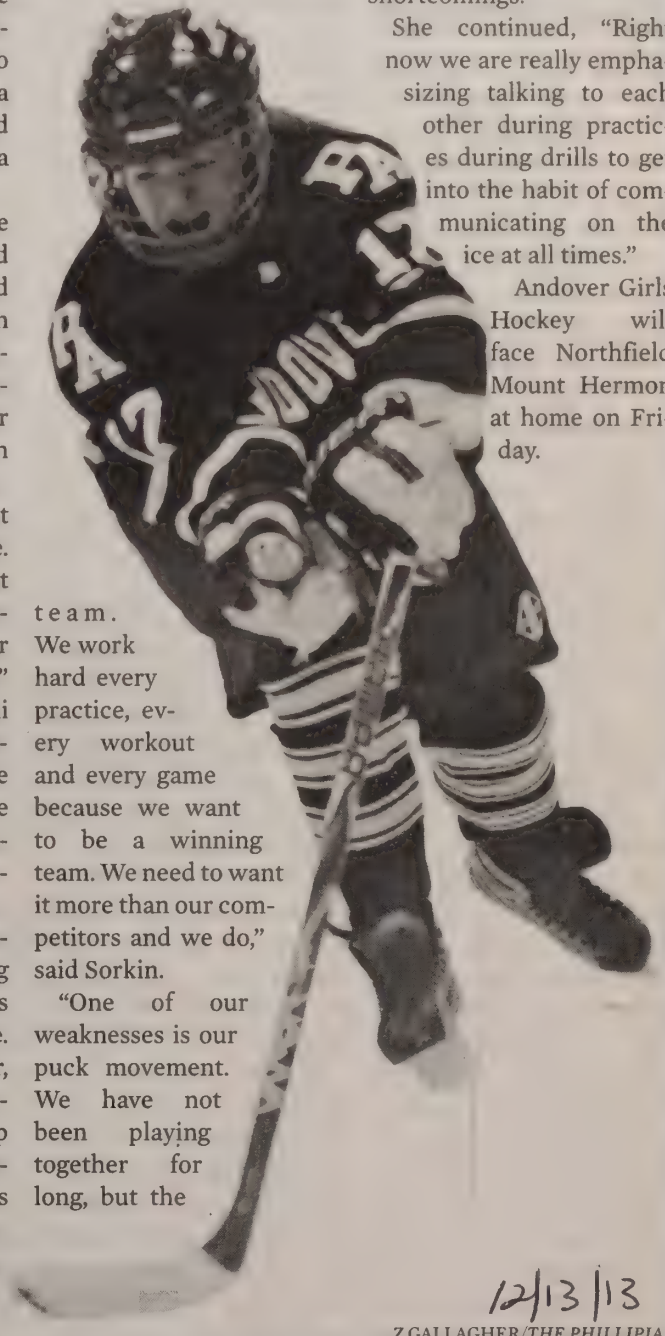
After finishing last season with a disappointing 2-21 record, Andover Girls Hockey looks to improve. Graduating only one Senior, the team boasts an enthusiastic and seasoned lineup led by Captain Renée LaMarche '14. Sorkin returns to the ice after a hiatus due to a torn ACL and will be instrumental in defense.

"One of our strengths is our work ethic, heart and energy. At every practice, everyone shows up to get better, and by the time we get off the ice, we are a better team. We work hard every practice, every workout and every game because we want to be a winning team. We need to want it more than our competitors and we do," said Sorkin.

"One of our weaknesses is our puck movement. We have not been playing together for long, but the more we skate together the better our puck movement will be," Sorkin added, acknowledging the team's shortcomings.

She continued, "Right now we are really emphasizing talking to each other during practices during drills to get into the habit of communicating on the ice at all times."

Andover Girls Hockey will face Northfield Mount Hermon at home on Friday.



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Z.GALLAGHER/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Elizabeth Kemp '15 helped in Andvoer's first win .

Win-less Tournament Reveals Weaknesses

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Hannah Sorkin '14 nabbed the only two goals for Andover Girls Hockey in a tournament at Taft over winter break. Although Andover Girls Hockey dropped its three games against Tabor, Taft and Kent, the team showed improvements throughout and remains positive about the season ahead.

"We sometimes didn't play together and there were a lot if nippy and abrasive feelings at Taft when things didn't go our way, [but] we all adapted to the situation, knew what we needed to do," said goalkeeper Ashlyn Aiello '14 in an email to The Phillipian. "Individual effort was amazing and we played with all our hearts."

In the first game of the tournament, Tabor overpowered Andover 6-1 despite a singular goal scored by Hannah Sorkin '14. Tabor is widely considered the best team in the league.

"We played afraid of Tabor," said Co-Captain Amy Morin '14. The team, however, changed its mentality and stepped up against Taft. After stumbling early in the game, Sorkin claimed her second goal of the tournament.

Andover struggled to maintain its momentum, and eventually fell to Taft 2-1. Unable to bounce back, the team did not find its footing against Kent.

In the final game of the tournament, Andover lost to a surprisingly strong Kent 2-0.

The tournament highlighted the team's weaknesses, which the team looks to hone in on in the future.

"We have to remember to play at our level and not down to the level of our opponents," said Sorkin.

"Now it's a new year and I get the sense that everyone is excited to claim it as our own. Building off of Taft, I think we will be able to know our best effort from our worst and our strengths from our weaknesses, and will approach every game with the desire to be the team we know we can be," said Aiello.

Head Coach Steve Weiner believes that the team can do a better job in the neutral zone, making sure the puck isn't lost at either blue line, which results in an odd-man rush.

Making better passes and chipping pucks off of the boards are two solutions that he mentioned in his email to the team.

"We have been moving the puck and playing together, and it is really important that we stick together and keep it up." said Co-Captain Amy Morin '14. "We are still figuring out who we work best with and figuring how everyone thinks, but we continue to improve and always give it all of our effort."

Even though the team didn't see the results that it strove for, it maintains a positive attitude. "At Taft we got to test ourselves against some great opponents and became a better team because of it, on and off the ice," said Miranda Nestor '16.

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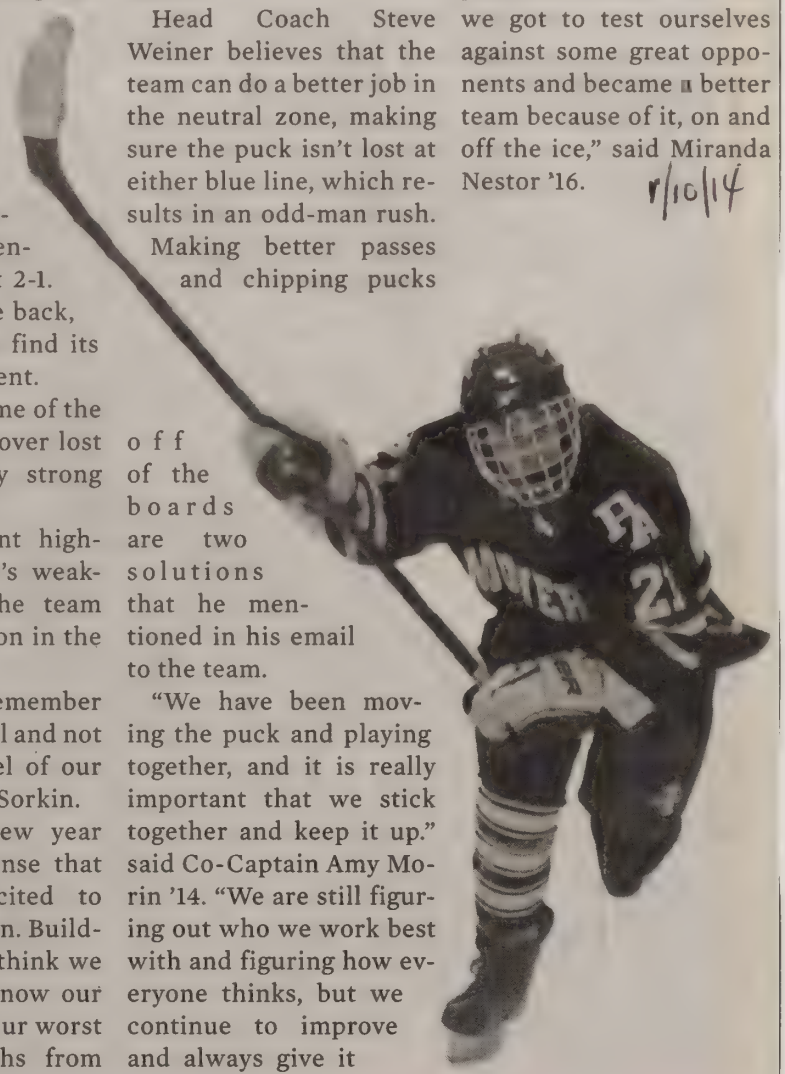

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Anna Fucillo '15 was consistent for Andover's offense during the tournament at Taft.

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Co-Captain Renée LaMarche '14 looks to make a play.

Pentagon Possession Not Enough

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In a spectacular display of determination and individual skill, Morgan Hollowell '14 fired off a shot at the Dexter Southfield goalie. Although the puck initially found the goalie instead of the net, the shot rebounded and Hollowell capitalized to start off the scoring for Andover.

Hollowell's goal was one of three for Andover, but the team could not manage a victory as it lost 3-5 to Dexter.

Despite the loss, Andover showed promise through cohesive team play, most prominently on the first line.

"Anna [Fucillo '15], Morgan and I work really well together," said Caroline Garrity '15. "We were put on the same line on Monday at our first practice back from break—and we just clicked right away. Anna and I have played together since [Freshman] year and Morgan completes the line with her super accurate shots and passes. We are a very hard-working line, and all three of us are always looking for each other the ice to create opportunities in the offensive zone."

This tight bond and mutual awareness brought Andover within one goal of Dexter after Fucillo ripped one home off of an assist from Garrity.

"The puck was dumped into the zone, and Caroline Garrity went in hard after it and was able to force the opposing girl around the net. She was able to successfully come up with the puck," said Fucillo. "I was the second forward in the zone at the top of the circle, Caroline dished me a nice pass right from the inner hash marks and I was able to get a good shot off."

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 scored the third goal, a top shelf backhand on a breakaway.

Andover outshot Dexter 37-32 in the game. Andover had 18 of their shots in the zone from the goalie's crease to the top of the circles lateral to the face-off dot, known as the pentagon, while Dexter had 20.

"During the Southfield game, we were able to break out of our defensive end really well. We should bring this into the Brewster game and focus on rebounds and crashing the net," said Evagelia Toffoloni. "Hopefully, we are able to connect as a team and convert these shots into goals," she continued.

Andover will travel to play against Brewster Academy on Friday and will take on St. Paul's on Saturday.

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Amy Morin and Renée LaMarche

By Victoria Bergeron
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Boasting a combined total of seven years on the ice for Andover Girls Hockey, Co-Captains Amy Morin '14 and Renée LaMarche '14 are spearheading the team's recovery from last year's disappointing 2-21 season. Working together to integrate new additions and a new Head Coach into the program, they have proven their leadership and look to end their Andover careers on a high note.

"[Amy and Renée] both have so many qualities that embody what you want in a captain. They are outgoing, hard-working, have great attitude and a great feel for the team," said Head Coach Steve Weiner.

"The one quality that jumps out the most is that they are totally unselfish. Their total focus is on the well being of the team and they always put themselves last," he continued.

Morin, a four-year Senior from Lynnfield, Massachusetts, is playing her fourth year on the ice for Andover and focuses on fostering a positive attitude in the face of adversity.

"As a Captain, I try to lead by example on and off the ice. I go to each practice with the goal to not only improve my skills, but to motivate my teammates to improve their skills," said Morin.

"Renée and I encourage all of the girls throughout the drills at practice to skate at their top speed and cheer as loud as we can regardless of if we are winning or losing in games," she continued.

A skillful defender and a strong presence in the rink, Morin inspires the will to win in her teammates.

"Amy is an excellent Captain. She combines the two major qualities to be a successful leader: leading by example and being a vocal leader," said Hannah Sorkin '14. "She is very dependable in games and practices. She always shows up ready to play and is one of the first people to encourage her teammates during practices."

LaMarche has been an integral member of Andover Girls Hockey since she started at Andover her Lower year.

"As Captain, I focus on the team dynamic and making sure that we are one cohesive group. Its really important to me that we act like a team on and off the ice," said LaMarche.

LaMarche is a right wing on Andover's offensive front and inspires her teammates through her passion and spirit.

"Renée is a fireball. She always gets everyone pumped up during games and practices. She has really high expectations of our capabilities as a team which inspires each of us to do our best," added Kelly McCarthy '16.

"Renée always has a lot of contagious energy that spreads throughout the team like wildfire. She has been really welcoming to the new players, which has converted to a healthy team chemistry on the ice," said Sorkin.

"I'm so proud to be Captain of such a fabulous group of girls. This team is like a family to me and I can't imagine what life at Andover would be like without them," said LaMarche.

To promote team chemistry, Morin and LaMarche organize nightly team dinners, engage in team activities, such as a "Secret Santa" gift exchange, and play bonding games on long team bus rides.

"We really come together as a team during our off-the-ice workouts every Monday. We always perform at our highest intensity and push each other to go faster and improve," said Morin.

"Our team is gelling this year. If we keep showing up to every practice and game with consistent energy and drive, we will be very successful," she continued.

LaMarche and Morin will continue to motivate their team and hope to improve its 2-4 record. 1/14/10

Perseverance Tips Andover Over Brewster

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Brewster	2

Andover	0
St. Paul's	5

Andover	0
Lawrence	5

Eliza Quigley '15 blasted a powerful slapshot past Brewster Academy's goalie, giving Andover Girls Hockey its third and final goal in what turned out to be a 3-2 win last Friday.

"Friday's game against Brewster was great. The energy was high and the play was sharp. We were poised and made smart decisions with the puck, and we really played as team," wrote Co-Captain Renée LaMarche '14 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Brewster Academy (2-8-1) and Andover played a very tough back-and-forth game. Caroline Garrity '15 led off the scoring for Andover. Hannah Sorkin '14 scored on a power play with an assist from Quigley.

Ashlyn Aiello '14 allowed only two goals, denying Brewster's offense the chance to recover.

On Saturday, Andover visited hockey powerhouse St. Paul's. After going 23-2-1 with a trip to the semifinals in the playoffs last season, St. Paul's currently possesses a sterling 12-0-1 record.

Andover lost 0-5 to St. Paul's. Despite the outcome, Ashlyn Aiello '14 tested the St. Paul's forwards and stood tall on odd-man rushes.

During the game, Hannah Sorkin '14 was injured by an opponent she failed to see in her blind spot as she raced into the corner. Sorkin went down hard to the ice when she was hit, but was able to get up after two tries and leave the ice on her own power.

"Although the score didn't reflect this, I feel that we held our own against a very good team," LaMarche wrote. "I'm especially proud of how we played in the third period. We refused to let them win without a fight and despite being down in score and being tired after a hard-fought two periods we didn't let our level of play drop."

Andover suffered a loss to Lawrence Academy (5-7-1) by a score of 5-0. Lawrence outshot Andover 26-18. Out of Andover's 18 shots, however, 17 of them qualified as quality shots, whereas only three of Lawrence's were not quality.

"Tonight's game was a tough loss. We didn't have the energy or intensity we needed to win and we definitely had an off day which at this point in the schedule we can't afford," said LaMarche. "I'm very disappointed, but we're moving past it, and I think this will become a motivator for the team as we focus on beating St. Mark's this weekend."

Andover will return home Saturday to face St. Mark's School (4-6-1) before hitting the road again to battle Cushing Academy (2-8-1) on Wednesday.

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Eliza Quigley '15 slapped the winning shot against Brewster.

Looking Forward to Exeter and Deerfield, Andover Battles to Gain Momentum

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
St. Mark's	4
Andover	1
Cushing	1

Caroline Garrity '15 was in perfect position in front of the St. Mark's net. She picked up the puck at the hashmarks and swiftly toe-dragged around two defenders. In the open, Garrity fired the puck past the outstretched pad of St. Mark's goaltender for Andover Girls Hockey's lone goal this past Saturday.

Andover entered the third period tied 1-1 with St. Mark's, but ultimately couldn't contain St. Mark's offense. St. Mark's took the lead with three goals in the third period to walk away with a 4-1 win. Andover was outshot 28-31.

"The game against St. Mark's was an upsetting loss. The first period ended 0-0, and we really felt confident because we were outplaying them with numerous chances in the offensive zone," said Garrity.

Garrity scored the lone goal with assists from Anna Fucillo '15 and Morgan Hollowell '14.

"I think that all three of us see the ice really well, so it allows us to pass and move and get open," said Fucillo. "We also play a very disciplined game, and I think that helps us a lot on the forecheck and power play."

Kasey Welch '16 added, "I thought we played a great game overall against St. Mark's, but we lost a bit of momentum in the third period and struggled with putting pucks in the net other than Caroline's amazing goal. I think if we play the whole game strong and shoot a bit more this afternoon, then it will be a great game against Cushing."

Andover took this mentality to heart, outshooting its next opponent, Cushing Academy, 44-19. Despite the effort, the team came up short of the win with 1-1 tie.

"We've been working on our forecheck [in practice], especially the 1-3-1 and the 1-2-2. Executing the forecheck has been key to our offense. It really helps us to get it together when we are discombobulated," said Kelly McCarthy '16. "We know exactly where each other will be no matter where the puck moves, so it really helps us to play as a team and trust one another."

Coming off a shot from Fucillo, Garrity and Hollowell crashed the net. Garrity was able to get her stick on the puck and put the rebound home to give Andover a 1-0 lead after two periods.

Cushing tied up the game in the third, and the game hea ded to overtime. There was a scrum in front of the Cushing net when the puck was underneath the goalie, and Maggie Walsh '14 pushed the puck into the net. Walsh appeared to score the game winning goal, but the call was later overturned by the officials.

"We played really well today, and the passing was great. They tied it up towards the end of the game, so I think our team really needs to focus on staying ahead when we are in the lead," said Nikoletta Toffoloni '15. "We need to find a good balance between still playing aggressively and playing smart defensively."

Eva Toffoloni '15 said, "We need to look for the open spaces because we tend to shoot right at the goalie. We also need to take quick shots before the goalie has time to get into position."

Andover will take on Deerfield Academy (5-8) at home this Saturday and will hit the road to face archrival Exeter (3-4-1) on Wednesday.

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Caroline Garrity '15 scored both of Andover's goals this week.

Rivalry Brings Aggressive Offensive Play: Andover and Exeter Total 75 Shots on Goal

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Deerfield	2

Andover	1
Exeter	1

Elizabeth Kemp '15 took a pass from Co-Captain Renée LaMarche '14 and proceeded to fire a straight shot through the Exeter goalie's five hole, Andover Girls Hockey's lone goal this past Wednesday in its 1-1 tie against Exeter.

The game was offensively fueled, but neither team could find the back of the net, despite a combined total of 75 shots.

"We played really well the entire game. We got a lot of shots on goal and worked well together, but we got a little sloppy in the defensive zone and allowed them to have some preventable opportunities," said Nikoletta Toffoloni '15. "We really wanted the win, but we are ready for our second chance to beat them!"

Ashlyn Aiello '14 refused Exeter's offense throughout the game, making 39 saves, a .975 save percentage, and stopping all but one third period shot from the center of the slot.

"I think that we're going to have to play the third period with the same intensity that we play the previous two," wrote Anna Fucillo '15 in an email to *The Phillipian*. "We have been giving up goals in the third, and I think that, collectively, we need to focus on remaining disciplined and playing the same style game no matter what the score."

Earlier in the week on Saturday, Andover tied Deerfield 2-2 at home. Andover outshot Deerfield 24 to 20, but still failed to pull ahead.

Caroline Garrity '15 scored both of Andover's goals, with assists from Anna Fucillo '15, Morgan Hollowell '14 and Eliza Quigley '15.

Andover's focus on discipline has also paid off, with the team taking only two penalties in the last two games combined.

"I think Deerfield's strength was their persistence and also their speed. We did a really good job matching, if not surpassing, these things. Against Exeter, we can count on the motivation, our power play and the penalty kill, of which we have worked really hard on," said Co-Captain Amy Morin '14.

"We can also count on us playing as a team," Morin added. "As [Girls Lacrosse Coach] Kate Dolan has always taught me: you have to control the controllables. Really, that is just yourself and your team, not the refs, the other team or anything else. We have to play our game and give it all we got, and I know we can do it!"

Andover's last three games have all gone into overtime and ended in ties, but the team is confident that it can get over the hump.

"In practice, we have been working a lot on our forecheck, break out, defensive zone and shooting the puck. In game, our forecheck has been more consistent resulting in us getting the puck in the offensive zone and getting more shots," said Lexi Davidson '17. "Also, the break-out, especially against Exeter, was really nice, and we were able to get out of the zone fast. Our defensive coverage has been great, especially on the penalty kill."

Andover Girls Hockey faces three winning teams this week. It will host New Hampton (13-9-0), travel to Brooks (9-5-1) and wrap up the week against Tabor (11-1-2) at home.

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Lexi Davidson '17 fends off a Deerfield opponent to hold Andover's offense. 1/31/14

Crosstown Rivals Fall At Andover's Hands

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Brooks	1

Andover	0
New Hampton	3

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 shot the puck off of the Brooks goalie's right pad, and Lexi Davidson '17 picked up the rebound at the bottom of the left circle and fired it home to give Andover Girls Hockey the lead in the first period in their 2-1 victory over Brooks this past Monday.

The team played lockdown defense, holding Brooks to one shot in the second period.

At the start of the third period, Maggie Walsh '14 weaved through three Brooks defenders on her way to a backhand goal to give Andover a 2-0 lead.

"Beating Brooks was awesome, and the two goals were both beautiful. It was a really good game overall, but especially after the first period the team came together to pull out the win," said Kasey Welch '16. "We all wanted to win so badly, and we worked so hard as a team. It was one of the highlights of the season."

Davidson added, "I think that our win against Brooks was awesome. We outskated, outhustled and, most importantly, out-scored them. It was great to not have another tie. I also think it helped the overall attitude of the team."

Brooks got on the scoreboard with just over a minute left in the third period on a shot from the slot, but, besides that goal, Andover's defense and goaltending by Ashlyn Aiello '14 kept the goal shut to secure the victory.

"It was a tough game with Hannah [Sorkin '14] and [Co-Captain] Amy [Morin '14] missing, but everyone stepped up," said Miranda Nestor '16. "We pushed each other to keep up the intensity, and we played as a team."

Co-Captain Renée Lamarche '14 said in an email to *The Phillipian*, "I'd say the Brooks game was a really important game, and to me it really represented a turning point in our season. It was an even match up, but we capitalized on their mistakes and played a really smart game, which made the difference in the end. I think that getting a clear, definitive win at this point in the season, having just come off a tough loss and a few ties, is going to make a big difference going forward in our confidence level and the mindset we have going into games."

After the win, Andover suffered a 3-0 loss to a strong New Hampton team. The offensive efforts of both teams were closer than the score reflected, as Andover was only outshot 21-24.

The somewhat physical game saw 14 total penalties called, including six for checking.

"I think we really put everything together and started playing as a team and also putting the puck in the net," said Morin. "Everyone had a great game, and we really stepped it up from last game!"

Andover's game against Tabor on Wednesday was canceled because the snow. Andover will travel to Governor (8-6-2) and then to Nobles this week.

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Andover limited opposing offenses to four goals this past week.

Girls Outshoot Governor's 39-5, Fall 1-0

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
Governor's	1

Andover	0
Nobles	3

Andover Girls Hockey suffered two close losses this past week against Governor's and Nobles & Greenough.

Despite outshooting Governor's 39-5, Andover dropped a tight game 1-0, constantly knocking on the door, but unable to score.

Andover managed to stay out of the box for the most part and committed only one penalty, not allowing more than two shots in any given period.

Andover had 17 third-period shots on goal, keeping up the pressure until the final buzzer, but the team could not capitalize against the Governor's goalie.

On Wednesday, Andover was defeated by Nobles, a top-ranked team in New England, by a score of 3-0.

"Our game today against Nobles was spectacular. They are known to always have a strong team and record, but we played so hard and didn't let that affect our intensity or game play," said Nikoletta Toffoloni '15. "We shut them out until the second period when they scored one and fought back hard. Unfortunately, they slipped two in at the end of the third, but we made them fight for their win and I'm so proud of our team."

Andover trailed by only one going into the third period. Goalie Ashlyn Aiello '14 recorded 35 saves on 38 shots, registering a 0.921 save percentage.

"She came up big when we needed her. She keeps improving with every game," said Eliza Quigley '15.

Andover was outshot 11-38, but the team was happy with the effort it presented against Nobles, an extremely strong opponent.

"I think we learned that, if we have the right mindset, we can stay with any team," said Quigley. "It gives us confidence that we can play with any team in the league.

"If we can bring to Milton the desire and will to win from our [Nobles] game today, I have no doubt that we will beat them. I think we can dominate with this mindset against a less talented team like Milton," Quigley continued.

Andover will finish the season with three home games next week. The team will face off against Milton (4-15-2), Tabor (14-2-3) and Westminster (12-6-1).

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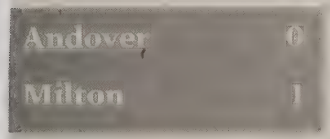
Andover Outshoots Milton, Falls 1-0

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Ashlyn Aiello '14 was a brick wall for Andover Girls Hockey versus Milton, posting a 0.944 save percentage, but her performance was not enough as Andover fell 1-0.

Andover outshot Milton 24-18, but could not take advantage of its opportunities.

"After the Milton game, we all felt really disappointed because we've come so far as a team and to lose a winnable game 1-0 was really upsetting," said Anna Fucillo '15. "We had so many scoring opportunities in the third, and it almost felt that luck just wasn't on our side. We couldn't catch a break the entire game."

Although Andover had a strong late game surge, outshooting Milton 9-2 in the third period, it was unable to find the back of the net.

"We learned that no matter how well we play and how many scoring chances we have, at the end of the day, it's the team who finishes these chances that's going to walk out with the win," said Fucillo.

Andover lost to Tabor Academy 6-1 over the weekend, getting outshot 25-20. Maggie Walsh '14 scored the lone goal for Andover on an assist from Co-Captain Amy Morin '14.

"It was a good game. We had some defensive breakdowns that resulted in goals, but it was a solid game," said Kasey Welch '16.

Evagelia Toffoloni '15 said, "We need to shoot more to score. We have so many chances, we just need to get the puck in the net."

Andover wrapped up the week with a home game versus Westminster, but fell short in another close game, 2-0.

Andover outshot Westminster 21-17, but, despite the total shots, Andover could not finish.

A line change that went wrong resulted in a Westminster 3-0 opportunity in which it scored its first goal. Westminster later scored again in the third period to widen the gap.

"We need to not panic in our defensive zone when the other team is putting a lot of pressure on us," said Hannah Sorkin '14. "We are getting a lot of scoring chances, and, if we keep shooting and crashing the net like we have, the goals will hopefully start coming."

Andover will face Exeter at home on Saturday to wrap up its season. In its first matchup, Andover tied Exeter 1-1.

"As a Senior, this will be the last Andover/Exeter game in which I will ever play. I cannot express how much it would mean to me to win," said Sorkin. "This is the last time I will be playing with these girls, and I want to make it count."

"We feel really confident going into this game. We tied them the last time we played but we're a stronger, smarter team now, and we're hoping to play off the energy of the day and beat them at home," said Co-Captain Renée Lamarche '14. "I'm excited to have a big crowd to cheer us on, and I think that if we keep play[ing] to our full potential, we'll be successful against Exeter."

Girls Secure Exeter Shutout

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Exeter	0

In a power play late into the third period, Caroline Garrity '15 picked up a lost puck and slapped it into the net, giving Garrity her second goal of the game and Andover Girls Hockey a 3-0 lead against Exeter.

At home in front of a massive crowd, Andover toppled Exeter in an emotional 4-0 shutout, avenging a tie earlier this season.

"Ending the season with such a big win was absolutely perfect. I can't imagine a better way to finish out what has been a really incredible season for us as a program," said Co-Captain Renée LaMarche '14 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Garrity started the scoring with a first period goal to put Andover up 1-0. The team almost increased its lead to two when Eliza Quigley '15 fired a powerful slap-shot from the point late in the first period.

"We had tied Exeter earlier in the season, so I knew that we had a great chance. It would take everything we had," said Co-Captain Amy Morin '14. "Seeing the huge crowd and just knowing that my friends and family were all there, and just knowing that a lot of people from the school were there to support us meant a lot. It definitely got us fired up."

She continued, "The game itself was insane, 4-0 was unheard of against any team. The fact that it was Exeter was the greatest feeling. I cannot think of a better way to go out on, and I am so proud of the team and how far we have come, and how far I know they will go next year too."

Andover had a total of 32 shots, including a swift goal from Morgan Hollowell '14 on a power play with assists from Anna Fucillo '15 and Hannah Sorkin '14 to widen the gap in the second period.

"The energy level was really high and our confidence was increasing as the game progressed," said Nikoletta Toffoloni '15.

Facing six Exeter players against Andover's four, Evagelia Toffoloni sniped an empty-netter in the final minutes of the game to secure the team's first short-handed victory.

"I couldn't believe it went in. I feel everything was going our way this game and that goal just made me even more excited," Eva Toffoloni said. "Every loss, and every setback during our season helped us to fix every mistake and push our hardest to win."

LaMarche said, "I think all of us will remember this game for a very long time because the crowd was insane, the energy on the bench was unlike anything we've felt all season and it truly was a culmination of all of the effort we've put in all year."

"As [Coach] Kate Dolan says, 'we have setbacks so we can have comebacks' and for us, this win against Exeter made all of the losses and frustrations we faced during the season totally worth it," she continued.

2/27/14

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After only coming out with a tie against Exeter earlier in the season, Andover celebrated its win.

Sport: Nordic Skiing

Year: 2014

Captains: Sean Burkitt, Elana King-Nakaoka

Coach: Keith Robinson

Assistant Coaches: Mika Latva-Kokko,
Anna Milkowski

LETTER WINNERS

Berry, Charlotte
Blaine, Logan
Bletzer, Hallina
Bucklin, Laura
Burkitt, Sean
Fortin, Liam
Gaba, Harshita
Glover, Claire
Hyde, Paxton
King-Nakaoka, Elana
LaMarche, Olivia
Lee, Daniel
Platt, Sharon Ruth
Sallick, Benjamin

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Nordic Skiing
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Berry, Charlotte	2015	Rochester, MN
Blaine, Logan	2014	Old Greenwich, CT
Bletzer, Hallina	2015	Hampton, NH
Bucklin, Laura	2014	Manhattan Beach, CA
Burkitt, Sean*	2014	Wilson, WY
Czito, Abigail	2015	Raleigh, NC
Fortin, Liam	2014	Silver Lake, NH
Gaba, Harshita	2014	Fargo, ND
Gerrard, Rachel	2015	Williamstown, MA
Glover, Claire	2016	Andover, MA
Hyde, Paxton	2015	Burlington, VT
King-Nakaoka, Elana*	2014	Ketchum, ID
Kumar, Viraj	2017	Poughquag, NY
LaMarche, Olivia	2016	Lynnfield, MA
Lee, Daniel	2014	Plano, TX
Mesler, Evelyn	2017	Andover, MA
Platt, Sharon Ruth	2015	Eielson AFB, AK
Rossman, Thea	2015	Charlottesville, VA
Sallick, Benjamin	2014	Westport, CT
Smith, Sophie	2017	Dhahran, SAU
Steiner, Margot	2017	New York, NY
Tope, Parker	2016	Minneapolis, MN

**Captains*

Coach: Keith Robinson

Assistant Coaches: Mika Latva-Kokko, Anna Milkowski

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
1/8 @ 2:45 PM	Proctor Academy		Game	Boys: 4th out of 10 Girls: 3rd out of 7
1/15 @ 2:45 PM	Holderness		Game	Girls 5 of 8, Boys 7 of 10
1/22 @ 2:00 PM	St. Paul's		Game	Girls: 4th Boys: 7th
1/29 @ 2:45 PM	Proctor Academy		Game	Boys: 7th out of 10 / Girls: 5th out of 8
2/12 @ 10:00 PM	NEPSAC Championship		Game	Girls: 5th / Boys: 8th
2/19 @ 2:45 PM	Lakes Region Championship		Game	Boys: 8th out of 11 / Girls: 4th out of 9

Highlights

Proctor

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/8/2014 9:45 AM		Game		Boys: 4th out of 10 Girls: 3rd out of 7

Andover opened up its season in fine form at Proctor Academy

Boys: 4th out of 10. Girls: 3rd out of 7

Andover opened up its season in fine form at Proctor Academy. On a very fast 5k course, the team showed the training over the past few months has paid off. The girls placed 3rd overall, led by Co-Captain Elana King-Nakaoka '14 in 7th place overall and Olivia LaMarche '16 in 10th place out of 45 racers. Hallie Bletzer '15 and Charlotte Berry '15 rounded out the scoring for Andover in 23rd and 24th places. Also off to a good start for Andover were seniors Harshita Gaba '14 and Laura Bucklin '14. In their first race, Claire Glover '16, Rachel Gerrard '15, and Thea Rossman '15 showed good form and a sign of promising races to come.

The boys were next on the course and this experienced team was led by Co-captain Sean Burkitt with a very strong 8th place finish (in a field of 72). Newcomer Paxton Hyde '15 and Liam Fortin '14 came in close together in 20th and 22nd place. Greer Sallick '14 finished the scoring for Andover. Logan Blaine '14 and Daniel Lee '14 had good showings (45th and 53rd) and continue to improve.

Next week the team travels to Holderness for a 5k classic race.

Holderness

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/15/2014 9:45 AM		Game		Girls 5 of 8, Boys 7 of 10

Strong Showing at Holderness

Andover Nordic tackled a tough 5k classic race in tough conditions at Holderness this week. With little snow to practice on the past week, the team hadn't practiced classic since December and showed a little bit of rust. The boys were first out on the course, and co-captain Sean Burkitt '14 battled to a tie for 14th place out of 89 skiers in the race. The next placing Andover skiers were Paxton Hyde '15 in 39th place and Liam Fortin '14 in 47th. Daniel Lee '14 showed a lot of improvement earning 55th, and Greer Sallick '14 and Logan Blaine '14 finished close behind. In the girls race, co-captain Elana King-Nakoaka '14 once again led the way with a 15th place finish out of 67 skiers. Second year skier Olivia LaMarche '16, continued to improve and came in just 18 seconds later in 17th place. Hallie Bletzer had a nice race in 32nd place. A trio of Andover skiers, Harshita Gaba '14, Charlotte Berry '15, and newcomer Claire Glover '16 finished out the scoring. Laura Bucklin '14 and Sharon Platt '15 in her first race also raced well for Andover. When all was said and done, the girls trailed Proctor by just 5 pts (83-88) and will look to move up in the standings next week at the sprint races hosted by St. Paul's.

St. Paul's

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/22/2014 9:00 AM		Game		Girls: 4th Boys: 7th

The Andover Nordic Team headed to St Paul's for a skate sprint race

The Andover Nordic Team headed to St Paul's for a skate sprint race this past Wed. The race consisted of three rounds of heats on a 1.2k course to determine final places in a tournament style race. The girls were up first in a large field of 68 skiers and were led by Elana King-Nakaoka '14, who advanced up to the B finals and finished in 10th place overall nipping a Proctor skier right at the end. Olivia LaMarche '16 had a tough first heat getting caught up in the bunch early and found herself in the second bracket. After a top place in the second heat, she moved into the D final along with teammate Hallie Bletzer '15 and finished second, good for 20th place on the day, with Hallie taking 23rd. Andover had 4 of the 6 skiers in the F final and they put together nice races with Charlotte Berry '15 taking first (30th overall), Laura Bucklin '14 finishing second (31st), Harshita Gaba '14 finishing fourth (33rd), and newcomer Abby Czito '15 finishing 6th (35th overall) in her first race. The final three Andover girls were placed into the mass start final for the remaining places with Sharon Platt '15, placing 5th in that race for 40th place, Thea Rossman '15 in 45th and Claire Glover '16 in 54th place.

The boys were up second in a huge field of 83 boys. They were led by Sean Burkitt '14 and Liam Fortin '14. Fortin fought his way into the B final taking 12th overall. Burkitt overcame a tough finish in the semifinal where he missed moving on to the B final by mere inches to easily take the top slot in the C final and finish 13th overall. Greer Sallick '14th made his way into the F final where he finished first, good for 31st place on the day. In the mass start final for the remaining places, Logan Blaine '14 showed impressive speed off the line and stayed at the head of the race to finish second out of 47 skiers. Daniel Lee '14 got hung up in the middle of the pack with little room to maneuver and couldn't move up in the field, finishing in 64th place overall. The boys finished just two points shy of Proctor in a very tight race again and hope to be able to get the better of them in the pair sprint relay at NMH next week.

NEPSAC Championship

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/12/2014 5:00 PM		Game	Dublin	Girls: 5th / Boys: 8th

The Andover Nordic Team headed to the new trail system at the Dublin School for the NEPSAC championships

The Andover Nordic Team headed to the new trail system at the Dublin School for the NEPSAC championships. The morning was a 6km individual skate race and the afternoon was a classical relay with 4 skiers each doing a lap of a 2.5km course. The girls tackled the beautiful, but difficult course first led by Olivia LaMarche '16 who had a breakthrough race finishing in 7th place and earning All New England status. Elana King-Nakaoka '14 came through a minute behind in 13th place. Rounding out the scoring for Andover was Charlotte Berry '15 in 27th. Hallie Bletzer '15 was one place behind Berry and Harshita Gaba '15 rounded out the Andover squad. In the afternoon relay, King-Nakaoka had a strong leg to lead out the team, but the depth of the top teams and the long day proved too much for Bletzer and Gaba. LaMarche had a great finish lap to hold off Dublin, and the girls finished 5th in the relay and 5th overall.

The boys were up second and with several members recovering from illness they faced a very formidable challenge on the tough course. They were led by Sean Burkitt '14 who placed in 17th. Paxton Hyde '15 was 28th, and Liam Fortin '14 was 33rd to finish the Andover scoring. Logan Blaine '14 and Greer Sallick '14 placed 37th and 38th overall. The afternoon relay brought a bright spot when Sean Burkitt shrugged off his morning race and led the

whole field in to the first exchange with a blistering first lap. Blaine, Fortin and Hyde finished off the relay, but didn't have enough to stave off the moves from the other teams.
The team is looking forward to their league championship race next Wednesday at St. Paul's.

Strong Returners Propel Team

By Noah Besler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

This season, Andover Boys and Girls Nordic are looking to improve upon its performance from last year.

The boys' team is looking to rebound from a seventh place finish in the conference last year. The team will look to use its multitude of returning Seniors with veteran experience to increase the team's standing.

The girls are also looking to improve from their finish last season, which ended them in fifth place. Three of the team's five Varsity skiers graduated last year.

While Nordic's focus is on faster individual times and winning races, both boys and girls teams maintain emphasis on having fun. "Our main goals are to have a good season, while also having fun," said Daniel Lee '14. "A big part of the team is the camaraderie. We sometimes spend three hours in a cramped van, which definitely helps the team get closer."

To improve their times, the team will work on technique. "We're looking to improve our technique, and get better times, now that we all know how to ski. Getting better times as a team is a big goal," said Olivia LaMarche '16.

Lee said, "Technique is a huge part for our team, and even more so for me. A lot of us just want to get better at racing. A big part of this season is getting better at racing."

Head Coach Keith Robinson's plan to improve technique centers around "getting everyone up to speed and getting them ready to race and contribute is an expected challenge."

"Our girls team graduated three of our top five, so some folks will need to step up this year and fill in the holes," Robinson added.

The team will overcome the challenges they face through their senior leadership. LaMarche pointed to the the Captains, Sean Burkitt '14 and Elana King-Nakaoka '14, as a prime example, "They have so much experience and they've been skiing forever. They know the strengths of the team and what we need to work on. They're very helpful with teaching the newer kids how to ski and helping the people with more experience as well."

Additionally, the team hopes that its passion for Nordic skiing will help propel it to a successful season, "We all love skiing and we all do it because we enjoy it. We may not get recruited to big schools, but we all share a love of the sport. We keep it kind of light-hearted in a sense. It's a competitive sport, but it's really enjoyable for everybody," LaMarche continued.

In terms of new additions to the team, there are promising athletes on the roster for both the boys and the girls. "On the girls side we have a good mix of experienced skiers and athletic newcomers with a nice mix of Seniors, Uppers, Lowers and Juniors. On the boys side, we have a lot of experience," said Robinson.

With neither team racing until after break, the focus is currently on practice. "We've been out skiing all week and that will really help us as we start racing in January. With the old [academic] schedule, we wouldn't really be able to start skiing until January."

The team hopes its extra practice time will propel it to a win against Proctor on January 8.

12/13/13

Captains Break Top Ten

By Noah Belser
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In its first race of the season, Andover Girls Nordic skated its way to a third place finish. The boys team followed up with a strong effort of its own, taking fourth in the race.

The girls team placed third out of seven, while Andover Boys Nordic tied for fourth place out of ten competitors.

Co-Captains Sean Burkitt '14 and Elana King-Nakaoka '14 led the way for boys and girls, with times of 14:08, and 17:14, respectively. Both individually finished seventh place in the races.

Burkitt and King-Nakaoka both believe that the first race of the season was a start to a promising year. "The race was a great success for the entire team," said Burkitt.

King-Nakaoka added, "We had a great first race. The season is off to an exciting start."

Head Coach Keith Robinson agreed with the captains, "Overall, I think the teams did very well. A big improvement on last year in some case. Sean Burkitt showed that he has the ability to race with the top skiers this year and should have a great season. "

The team's younger skiers also made big strides and contributed to the impressive finishes. Olivia LaMarche '16 finished second for Andover Girls and ninth overall with a time of 17:31.

"Olivia had an especially great finish," said King-Nakaoka. "She ended up ninth in the girls race, which is remarkable considering this is only her second year skiing. We are looking forward to seeing her progress."

The duo of Hallie Bletzer '15 and Charlotte Berry '15 rounded out the scoring for the girls team, as they took 19th and 20th place with times of 20:24 and 21:14, respectively.

Robinson emphasized the importance of the finishes when he said, "We have improving skiers who can replace the seniors that graduated last year as well as some promising newcomers that should improve over the next month and start to make an impact in races."

On the boys side, newcomer Paxton Hyde '15 impressed as he finished second for Andover and 18th overall with a time of 15:39. Following him were Liam Fortin '14 in 20th at 15:42 and Greer Sallick '14 in 32nd finishing in 17:22.

"Our returning racers also did well... the snow conditions were extremely fast, very cold and the course was well groomed even though some of the turns were skied off," said Burkitt.

Following the season opener, overall skill improvements and gaining experience seem to be the general focus of the team.

"For the boys, a lot of the improvement at this point is going to come from just working on getting cleaner races as well as continued work on conditioning and skiing efficiently," said Robinson.

Andover Boys will look to break through to the top three as the Girls will hope to add on to their promising start on Wednesday when the team travels to Holderness to compete in a classic 5K.

"The race was a great time, and I can't wait to spend more time with my team throughout the season," said King-Nakaoka, "With hard work, I expect some very fast skiing these coming weeks."

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Captains Ski to Top 15 Finish

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Neck and neck with one of his 87 opponents, Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 sloshed through wet, slushy snow to claim a close tie for 14th place overall and first place for the boys of Andover Nordic.

For the girls, Co-Captain Elana King-Nakaoka '14 led the pack once again in 15th place out of 67 skiers, with Olivia LaMarche '16 trailing less than twenty seconds behind her for 17th place and second for Andover.

Overall, the boys finished seventh of ten teams and the girls fifth of eight at Holderness last Wednesday.

"Results-wise, the team did not do as well as last week. It was a great course with lots of hills and transitions," said King-Nakaoka. "But overall, I feel good about our performance."

The demanding one-kilometer course kicked off with an uphill stretch, followed by two rolling loops that sloped into a flat finish. To tackle the course, the team used a method called called "classic style skiing," which Andover had not practiced since December.

"Having the hills at the beginning of the race lent itself to a simple tactic: push the hills at the beginning and hold on for the long downhill," said Paxton Hyde '15, who finished just behind Burkitt in second for Andover and 29th overall.

In addition to a challenging course, the team struggled with the less than ideal conditions after a particularly warm week.

"It was warm and sunny, but corny and slushy snow comes with that. We had to use klister (wax), which is always an adventure," Hyde said. "The conditions made it tough to get solid kick on the hills, and slipping really drains your energy."

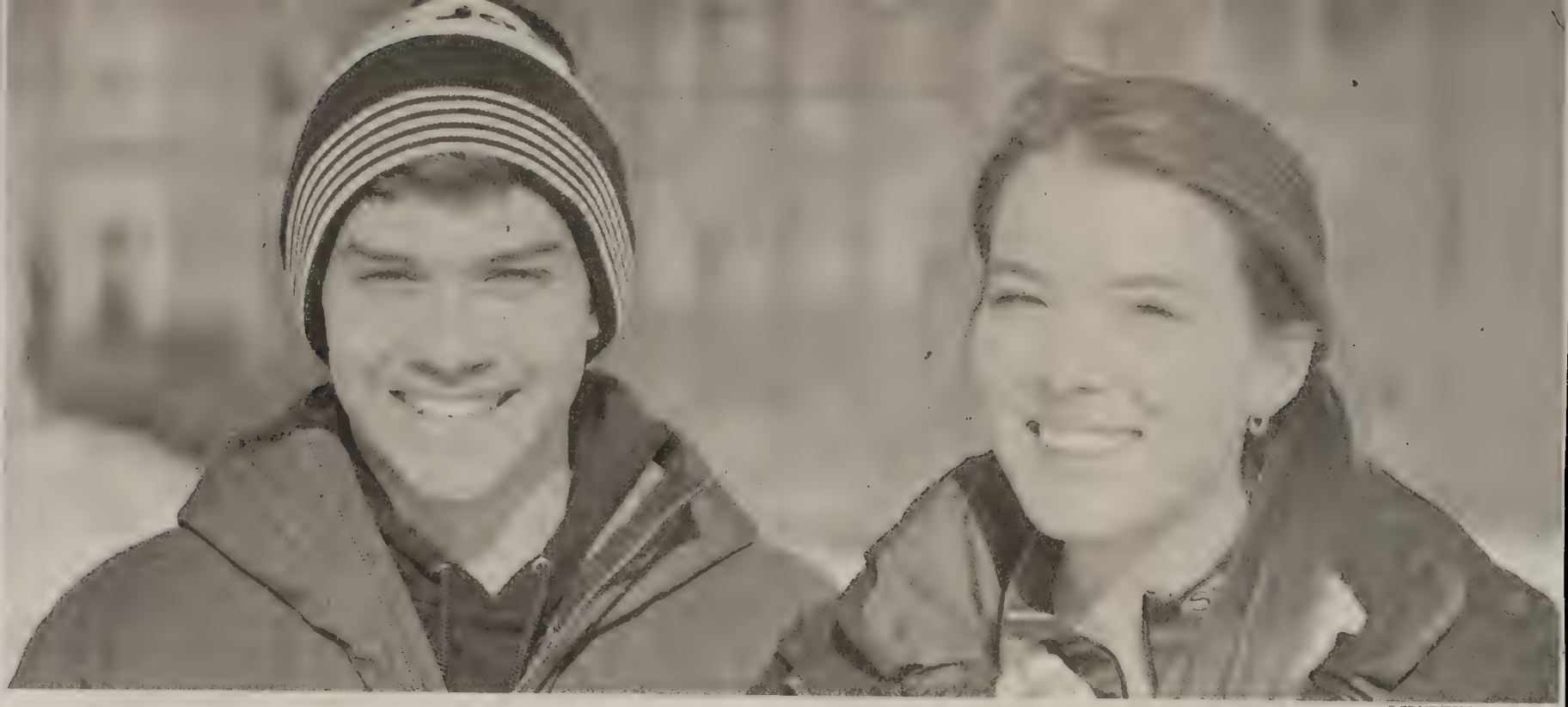
Head Coach Keith Robinson added, "[We had a] challenging race and tough conditions for waxing. The skis would grip well in the shade, but the snow was slushy and slippery in the sun."

Daniel Lee '14 and Liam Fortin '14 wrapped up the scoring for the boys, finishing 35th and 39th with times of 22:55 and 23:33, respectively. For the girls, Hallie Bletzer '15 raced a time of 24:40, earning 26th place overall and Harshita Gaba '14 followed in fourth for Andover in 27:36 and 32nd place. The end of the girls' race for Andover was very close, with Charlotte Berry '15 and Claire Glover '16 finishing just seventeen seconds apart.

Despite the loss, the team views the race as valuable experience and remains optimistic for the future.

"Everyone was in really good spirits for sure," Hyde said. "There was snow—what more can you ask?"

Andover Nordic looked to capitalize on the fresh blanket of snow on Wednesday, January 22 at St. Paul's. Results were not available as of press-time, but will be included in next week's paper. 1/24/14



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Sean Burkitt and Elana King-Nakaoka

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By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

It's hard to latch on skis, pick up sticks and skate without falling. It's even harder to race slopes, hills and turns on skis. Nordic Captains Sean Burkitt '14 and Elana King-Nakaoka '14 understand these challenges and have lead both the boys and girls' teams to master the difficulties of Nordic for multiple successful seasons.

Burkitt is a four-year Varsity member, while King-Nakaoka is a three-year Varsity member. Both have been Captains for two years.

"As an avid skier, but also someone who did not start skiing until I was in middle school, I know how hard it is to pick up skiing and be a good athlete in a sport that rewards technique as much as endurance," said Burkitt. "I try to balance these two aspects of the sport in order to help people not only do well, but also enjoy Nordic skiing."

"Many members of the team have either never Nordic skied before, or have only just started in the past year or two," said King-Nakaoka. "It doesn't matter how strong or fit you are if you don't know how to propel your skis forward efficiently, and it takes time and dedication to learn that. One of my biggest roles as a captain is to help people develop their technical skills."

To make the skiing season as enjoyable as possible, both King-Nakaoka and Burkitt emphasize team camaraderie. Burkitt said, "As a captain it is my job to continue to make the Nordic team a home away from home, as it has been for me in the past."

He added, "The Nordic team is a family, and when we all feel like we belong to this skintight, racesuit-wearing family, we train harder, enjoy skiing more, and do better at races."

The team often bonds during team dinners and travel to races. King-Nakaoka added, "We're quirky, and we function pretty well that way. We're one of the only co-ed teams on campus, and we have a super relaxed vibe when it comes to things like psyches, cheers, etc."

"While we don't do that organized, intentional team bonding, I'd say we have one of the most tight-knit teams I've ever been on," she continued. "Many weeks we have to drive two hours each way to races, and I've had some of my best times at Andover sitting in the rally wagon laughing with my team."

With practice, technical development and team chemistry, both teams are looking for strong finishes this season. Burkitt hopes Boys Nordic will finish in the top five at the NEPSAC Nordic Championships. King-Nakaoka hopes Girls Nordic will finish in the top three of the same race.

Burkitt and King-Nakoaka's main goal, however, is not to win races or place in specific positions. Their main goal is for each Nordic racer to contribute his or her best to the team.

"Ultimately, I don't care that much about where we end up in race results. Nordic skiing is about determination, and if I finish a race knowing that I left it all on the course, I'm happy," said King-Nakaoka.

She added, "I'm proud of the spirit and toughness that my teammates demonstrate each week not only on race day, but at every practice. I hope that by the end of their experiences on the team, each member will have an appreciation for the sport, and that the values of endurance, drive and flexibility will stay with them."

1/24/14

Sprint to Top Finishes

By Kailash Sundaram
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Co-Captain Elana King-Nakaoka '14 raced to the finish line, gracefully nipping a Proctor skier to finish in the top ten at St. Paul's Skate Sprint Race.

King-Nakaoka's finish helped Andover Girls Nordic finish third overall at St. Paul's Skate Sprint Race. Boys Nordic finished fourth out of ten teams in the same event.

The race consisted of three rounds of heats on a 1.2K course.

"It was a different format race than usual because it was a sprint skate race and not just a continuous 5K. Someone who is not as good in a 5K can do well in a sprint race because it is a short burst that requires a fast start. Everyone did either two or three 1.5K sprints and your placement in each heat dictated where you would be in the next heat and your overall placement," said Olivia Lamarche '16.

On the Girls side, King-Nakaoka advanced up to the B-finals and finished tenth out of 68 skiers. After a tough first heat, Olivia LaMarche '16 earned a top place in the second heat to move to the D-finals.

LaMarche finished second in the D-finals to place 20th overall. Hallie Bletzer '15 joined LaMarche in the D-finals to place 23rd overall.

Girls Nordic also placed four skiers in the F-finals. Charlotte Berry '15 took first in the F-finals to place 30th overall. In the same race, Laura Bucklin '14 finished second (31st overall), Harshita Gaba '14 finished fourth (33rd overall), and newcomer Abby Czito '15 finished sixth (35th overall).

"We could definitely all improve on our classic skiing as that is the weakest aspect of the team. We did practice a lot of classic skiing last week tho, so hopefully that will show in the upcoming race," said LaMarche.

On the boys side, Liam Fortin '14 led the charge with a 12th overall finish in the B-finals. Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 missed the B-finals by inches and instead took the top spot in the C-finals, where he finished 13th overall.

Greer Sallick '14 took home the victory in the F-finals to place 31st overall. Logan Blaine '14 and Daniel Lee '14 finished 38th and 64th overall, respectively.

"As the race was a sprint race, it was more exciting than the usual 5k. At the very start of the course there was a tunnel that really forced the racers to be aggressive at the start to get a good placement since there wasn't any room to pass during the tunnel," said Charlotte Berry '15.

"Between each leg of the race, the team would meet up to commiserate our falls and celebrate our successes. It was so much fun to see the new racers learning the basics and the returning skiers getting a chance to compete in an unconventional sprint format," continued Berry.

Andover placed fourth in both the Boys and Girls race against NMH this past Wednesday. More information on this race will be published in next week's article.

Andover will skate against Vermont Academy next Wednesday as it makes its run to the NEPSAC Nordic Championships.

1/31/14

Top Pairs Earn Top Ten Finishes

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Girls Nordic's two top skiers, Co-Captain Elana King- Nakaoka '14 and Olivia LaMarche '16, teamed up for a sixth place finish as the team raced relay style at Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) last Wednesday.

A relay race consists of a pair of skiers, each one completing two laps of the 1.5 kilometer loop course. The racers alternate the legs, tagging his or her partner in between the sprints.

This week's finishes were not as favorable as those of last week, as the boys placed seventh of ten teams overall, and the girls placed fifth of eight.

The leading pair on the boys' side consisted of Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 and Paxton Hyde '15. They finished with an overall time of 20:44, which earned them a tenth place finish.

"The top boys team of Sean [Burkitt] and Paxton [Hyde was] great. Sean led out really fast, and they ended up with a great result against some very good teams," said Coach Keith Robinson.

They were followed by the pair of Greer Sallick '14 and Liam Fortin '14 in 25th place with a time of 24:43.

Robinson continued, "The other boys teams did a good job but struggled to break free from the other teams at the beginning and had a little trouble getting back into classic mode, as we had been training mostly skate."

The strategy in a relay race is much different than classic skiing because there are two short intervals instead of a larger stretch of racing.

"I personally prefer 5 [kilometer races] because I am more adapted to longer efforts than sprints," said Hyde. "Sprints are painful. Trying to go as fast as I can also put more stress on my classic form."

The girls, meanwhile, fared slightly better, as Andover's second team of Sharon Platt '15 and Charlotte Berry '15 came in 23rd overall with a time of 33:12.

"The top girls team of Elana [King-Nakaoka] and Olivia [LaMarche] [was] very fast, and [LaMarche] managed to catch and pass the Proctor team that they had been neck-and-neck with the whole race," Robinson said. "The rest of the girls teams [was] all very close together and a lot of the newcomers were showing good progress."

Despite less than ideal finishes by both teams, the team displayed optimism.

"[Burkitt] deserves credit for his awesome effort," said Hyde.

Andover's race this week was canceled, but the team continues to practice for the NEPSAC championships scheduled for February 12. 2/7/14

LaMarche Earns All-New England Honors

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Olivia LaMarche '16 showed her tremendous mental and physical endurance during the girls 6K event by breezing past opponents, placing seventh overall in New England and earning All-New England honors.

Andover Boys and Girls Nordic teams competed at the NEPSAC championships this past Wednesday. In a two part race consisting of a 6K skate event and a classic style relay race, Andover may not have turned out on the top of the scoreboard, but it thrived in team spirit. The boys placed eighth out of eight teams, while the girls came in fifth of six teams overall.

A demanding course under challenging conditions made for less than ideal times for most racers, but there were still some strong individual finishes.

"Although challenging, this was probably one of the nicer race courses we've been on all year, if not the best one," said Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14. "It was really fun."

Co-Captain Elana King-Nakaoka '14 added, "The course was very challenging: lots of hills, which we aren't really used to, but also lots of trails. Lots of big uphills and downhills. The downhills were really fun and fast but also kind of scary because they had some tight corners."

Burkitt finished first for Andover in the 6K event with a time of 19:08, earning 17th place overall. The top three finishers for each team count as scoring for the team, as Paxton Hyde '15 and Liam Fortin '14 finished second and third for Andover with times of 20:59 and 21:47, respectively.

LaMarche lead the charge for the girls' 6K event with her seventh overall placing, and a time of 22:32. King-Nakaoka finished second for Andover and 13th overall, while Charlotte Berry '15 finished third for Andover at 27th overall with recorded times 23:36 and 28:10, respectively.

"It was a pretty big day. We left at 7 a.m. It was cold to start the day, so cold that the snow was slow early in the morning and as it warmed up it got faster and a little easier to ski on, so that was good," said King-Nakaoka.

Burkitt added, "We didn't do great in the standings, but we had a pretty good race. We didn't do badly, but it was a challenging race, especially as some of us are coming off of sickness."

In the relay race, four members compete for each relay team and individually skate a 2.5K loop of the course. Burkitt raced the first leg in a time of 8:34, followed by Logan Blaine '14 with a time of 10:44, Fortin with a time of 10:35 and Hyde with a time of 9:59. King-Nakaoka finished first for the girls in a time of 10:43, followed by Hallie Bletzer '15 in 12:06, Harshita Gaba '14 in 13:22 and LaMarche in 10:56.

The team finishes its season at The Lakes Regional Championship next Wednesday.

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NORDIC

Andover Nordic Skis to Sixth At Lakes Regional Championships

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Nordic Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 pushed through adverse conditions to race his way to sixth overall placement in the Lakes Regional Championship.

Andover Nordic wrapped up its season this past Wednesday. The race was a skiatholon, meaning the first three kilometers are skied in classic gear, then during the race ski type is switched to skate style for the last two kilometers of the five kilometer race.

The Girls placed fourth of eight teams, while the Boys placed eighth of eleven teams.

On the day, Andover's Co-Captains had the greatest impacts on the team's performance. Burkitt and Elana King-Nakaoka '14 finished first for the Andover Boys and Girls, respectively.

In her last race for Andover Nordic, Nakaoka inspired the team with an overall eighth place finish.

"The team did awesome" said King-Nakaoka, "It was our last race and I think it was our best."

A tough course with even tougher conditions proved for some slower times.

"It was really snowy," said Harshita Gaba '14, "You would go down the hills and you couldn't see anything."

King-Nakaoka said "We got to the race relatively early, and then it started dumping snow. It was very cold, wet and snowy. People were racing in baseball caps because the visibility was so bad. But there were great conditions once we got into the race, and we had really good ski wax. [Wax] can be hit or miss, especially when the weather changes quickly."

Olivia LaMarche '16 finished second for Andover Girls and 13th overall, followed by Hallie Bletzer '15 and Charlotte Berry '15. For the Boys, Paxton Hyde '15 finished second for Andover and 20th overall, with Seniors Liam Fortin '14 and Greer Sallick '14 close behind.

As the last race of the season, it was also the last race of the Seniors' Andover Nordic careers. Burkitt has been a member of the team for four years.

"[Nordic] has been a home away from home. I like skiing and the people are awesome. It's sad departing from this, but I have one more term with the people and it will be a great time" said Burkitt, " I was about six inches shorter and 50 pounds lighter freshman year. It's a place to escape the Andover grind, have fun and be happy."

Gaba added, "It was definitely bittersweet. The chemistry within the team is very special. It's this happy cycle, where as soon as one person starts laughing, everyone starts laughing."

With the season over, Andover Nordic is hopeful for its future prospects despite graduating multiple Seniors.

"I'm really proud of all the progress everyone has made and I'm excited to see next year with progress from the skiers. We have a lot of really strong skiers who will put in a lot of work this season that will I'm sure pay off next season." said King-Nakaoka. 2/21/14

Sport: Boys Varsity Squash

Year: 2014

Captains: Michael Huang, John Wain

Coach: Thomas Hodgson

Assistant Coach: Mike Legaspi

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High School Nationals Division 3 Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Benedict, Cole
Curtis, Justin
Huang, Michael
Kim, Ji Seok
Kim, Kun Woo
Quamme, John
Rauh, Jacob
Remmel, Remington
Singh, Armaan
Wain, John

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Varsity Squash
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Benedict, Cole	2014	Bethel, ME
Curtis, Justin	2015	Boxford, MA
Huang, Michael*	2015	Wildwood, MO
Kim, Ji Seok	2015	Seoul, KOR
Kim, Kun Woo	2014	Mid-Levels, HKG
Quamme, John	2016	Washington, DC
Rauh, Jacob	2014	Andover, MA
Remmel, Remington	2014	Little Rock, AR
Schwartz, Robert	2015	North Andover, MA
Singh, Armaan	2014	Tallahassee, FL
Wain, John*	2014	Milton, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Thomas Hodgson

Assistant Coach: Mike Legaspi

Managers: Alexandra Barr '15, Kaylee Llewellyn '15

Schedule and Record

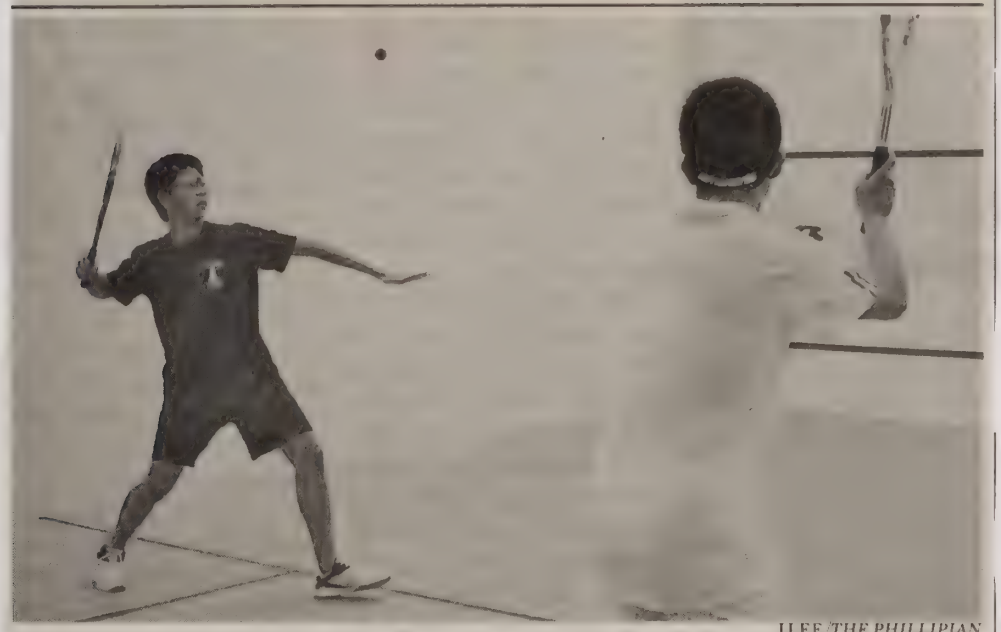
DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor	H	Game	W 6-1
12/9 @ 4:30 PM	Belmont Hill		Scrimmage	scrimmage
12/12 @ 4:45 PM	Brooks School		Scrimmage	scrimmage
1/8 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	L 0-7
1/10 @ 4:30 PM	Groton		Game	L 3-4
1/11 @ 1:30 PM	Middlesex		Game	W 6-1
1/17 @ 4:45 PM	St. Mark's	H	Game	W 8-0
1/22 @ 3:15 PM	St. Paul's		Game	L 2-5
1/25 @ 4:00 PM	Westminster/Choate/Belmont Hill	H	Game	L Loss to Choate: 1-6 / Loss to Westminster 0-7
1/29 @ 2:45 PM	Exeter		Game	L 1-6
1/31 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks		Game	L 1-6
2/1 @ 11:00 AM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 0-7
2/6 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals - Blair Academy		Game	W 5-2
2/7 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals - St. George's		Game	W 4-3
2/8 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals: New Canaan High		Game	W 4-3
2/9	High School Nationals: Sidwell Friends, Baltimore			W 4-3
2/14 @ 4:45 PM	Concord Academy		Game	W 6-1
2/19 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 2-5
2/21-23	Interscholastics		Game	Placed 16th of 16

Highlights

High School Nationals

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/9/2014 1:00 PM		Game		Division III Champs!

The Boys won Div III by defeating Blair Academy 5-2, St. Georges 4-3, New Canaan High School 4-3, and in the finals, Sidwell Friends of Baltimore 4-3.



J.LEE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Number one Michael Huang '15 made quick work of his Tabor opponent as he won 3-0.

12/13/13

Tabor Victory Continues Team's Momentum

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Tabor	1

With a decisive 6-1 win over Tabor last Saturday, Andover Boys Squash picked up where it left off last season.

After finishing with a winning record of 10-7 and advancing from Division B to Division A in Interschols, Andover's momentum seems to have carried through to the 2013-2014 season.

Captain Jake Rauh '14 will lead the team, which includes six new additions to the roster.

Returners Michael Huang '15, Justin Curtis '15 and Alex Kun Woo Kim '14 will accompany him in this task as they look to integrate newcomers Jack Wain '14, Cole Benedict '14, Armaan Singh '14, Rem Remmel '14, Robby Schwartz '15 and Jack Quamme '16 into the team.

Andover swept the top of the ladder against Tabor. At number one, Huang made quick work of his opponent 3-0. Kim and Rauh posted the same scores while Wain beat his opponent 3-1. The team only had one loss, at the number five spot on the ladder, as Singh lost 1-3.

Andover rounded out the bottom of the ladder as well, with wins from Benedict (3-1), Quamme (3-1) and Robby Schwartz (3-0).

This was a crucial win because the team was playing without Justin Curtis '15 and Rem Remmel '14 due to injuries. Both players are on the top of the ladder and the team hopes to have them back after break.

"Tabor had an average skill level and unfortunately we played down to their level. We have a long way to go to reach our full potential and strength as well as reach our highest level of play," said Head Coach Tom Hodgson.

Andover also had a promising scrimmage against a very skilled Belmont Hill team. Although the teams did not keep the official score, Andover felt it generally outplayed this young and talented team. It was especially impressive seeing as Belmont Hill was among the top five teams in the country last year.

"I think this could be a very strong season, and the goal is to be in the top division for Nationals and Interschols. Right now we are focused on first getting everyone healthy, and then working on the basics of the game. After break we are going to focus more on fitness, however, we will still spend much of practice on the basics," said Hodgson.

This Thursday, Andover will face Brooks, another skilled team in its division. Brooks fell to Andover 5-2 in their matchup last year.

Although the team lost many experienced Seniors last year, the fresh roster this season, along with positive outcomes from its scrimmage and game, indicate a promising continuation of last year's success.

Injuries Riddle Ladder, Lead to First Loss

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys Squash fell for the first time this season on Wednesday, losing 8-0 to a top-ranked Deerfield team.

The team was missing two of its top four players, Justin Curtis '15 and Alex Kunwoo Kim '14, both due to injury.

With two players out, six of Andover's eight players competed two spots up from their typical position on the ladder. The resulting matchups left the team vulnerable in the middle of the ladder.

"We had two competitive matches at seven and eight but they were too strong for us up top. We [knew] we would have some trouble at the one and two especially, as well as at other positions. Missing the guys we missed definitely made a huge difference," said Head Coach Tom Hodgson.

In the one spot, Michael Huang '15 lost in three games (6,4,1). "[My opponent] was just a strong player in general. I played at my normal skill level but there wasn't much I could do. I had good drop shots, as did he. They are pretty deep in terms of strength. The top of Deerfield's ladder—particularly the one and two—is very talented and their skill level doesn't drop off at all," said Huang.

Jack Wain '14 lost in three games (3,4,8) at the two position to a skilled opponent. Playing more defensively than usual, Wain played long points, keeping the ball moving until his opponent made errors. "As a whole team, we need to play smarter, but we just got back on Tuesday and we didn't play much over break. We were pretty rusty; I think just playing more would be the best thing for us," said Wain.

The rest of the ladder lost as well, with Jake Rauh '14 at the three (3,6,1), Rem Remmel '14 at the four (4,3,3), Jack Quamme '16 at the five (8,7,5) and Armaan Singh '14 at the six (5,8,6).

Cole Benedict '14 at the seven and Josh Kim '15 at the eight, however, refused to go down without a fight. After taking two of the first four games, Benedict and Kim both battled until falling in the fifth game 10-12.

Down 9-10 in the fifth set, Benedict hit four consecutive back wall boasts to even the score at 10. Unfortunately, Benedict then gave up two consecutive points to lose with scores of 7-11, 11-8, 11-1, 7-11 and 10-12.

With more practice this week, Andover hopes to defeat Groton on Friday.

"Deerfield gave us a pretty good idea about how we should approach other matches, especially against Groton because guys lower on the Deerfield's ladder struggled against Groton, so we can assume Groton has a deep ladder as well," said Quamme.

1/10/14

Injuries Lead to Close Loss

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Newly appointed Co-Captain Jack Wain '14 won both of his matches this past week.

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Groton	1

Andover	6
Middlesex	1

With a swooping drop shot from the back corner of the court, Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 clinched a 3-2 match victory and sealed Andover's 6-1 victory over Middlesex. The win came after a loss to Groton on Saturday.

Missing top players Jake Rauh '14 and Justin Curtis '14, Andover fell to Groton 4-3. While Huang, Co-Captain Jack Wain '14 and Alex Kunwoo Kim '14 took home victories, the bottom four players on the ladder lost after being forced to play up a spot from their normal position.

Jack Quamme '16 had his match tied at 2-2. If he had won his game, Andover would have taken home its second victory of the season.

Quamme rallied back and forth to the fifth game of the deciding match at the five spot in the ladder. Although he lost the first two games 11-6 and 11-8, he recovered in the next two games and won (11-7, 11-5) as his opponent lost momentum and became more and more fatigued.

After the end of the fourth match, his opponent was injured and had to take time to recover. He managed to come back from his injury and win the fifth game by just two points, finalizing a loss of 3-4.

"[My opponent] had to step out of the court and took 20 minutes to recover which gave him a lot time to recharge and get his energy back. I think this affected me mentally and made it harder to get into the fifth game which was pretty close until the very end," said Quamme.

"If we were healthy, we feel confident that we would have been able to take [Groton]," said Wain.

The next day, the team shook off this devastating loss and defeated Middlesex despite still missing Rauh and Curtis.

Wain continued, "Middlesex was more challenging than we expected with most matches going to four or five very competitive games, but we were able to pull off the victory 6-1."

The score deficit of the Middlesex match did not accurately represent how close the game truly was. All positions on the ladder excluding the seven spot went to at least four games, and the seventh game was won in three.

Andover is closely ranked at the bottom of the second division for High School Nationals. With a few more wins against teams that are ranked directly above it such as Choate, St. Paul's, St. Georges and Brooks, Andover has a good chance of moving even further up in the seeding.

"If we can play up to our full ability with a full lineup, we are in legitimate contention for a spot in the middle or upper section of our division which would place us in the top 25 to 30 teams in the country," said Head Coach Tom Hodgson.

Andover will face St. Mark's this weekend without Curtis. As it learns to adjust to the holes and mismatches in the ladder, Andover Boys Squash hopes to come out of this next match with a positive result and get back to full strength by the end of next week.

1/17/14

On-and-Off Injuries Lead to Inconsistency

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
St. Mark's	0

Andover	2
St. Paul's	5

Returning to the court from a crippling injury, Justin Curtis '15 closed out a tight five-game match, one of only two victories for Andover Boys Squash in a 5-2 loss to St. Paul's on Wednesday.

On Saturday, however, the return of many injured players led to an impressive 7-0 sweep of St. Mark's for Andover, in which all but one member of the team secured three-game victories.

"St. Mark's was a weaker squash team than some of the others we have played, and our lineup was more full than in previous matches," said Jake Rauh '14.

Despite gaps in its ladder deficit, many players stepped up and performed well against the skilled St. Paul's team.

In one of the closest matches of the day, seventh-position Rem Remmel '14 led 2-1, executing well-placed drop shots throughout the first three games and capitalizing on his opponent's frequent low cross-court shots and drives. His opponent hit four nicks in a row to pull ahead 4-0. Remmel, unable to regain momentum, ended up losing 3-2.

Scrambled positions at the top of the ladder hindered the team against St. Paul's. Newly elected Co-Captain Michael Huang '15, usually number one, was out sick with the flu, and Co-Captain Jack Wain '14 stepped up to take his place. Wain fell three close games, 11-5, 11-7, 12-10.

Alex Kim '14 played two positions up the ladder at number two, but was forced to forfeit after tweaking his wrist in the second game, putting Andover down early in the day.

Moved up to three on the ladder, Rauh fell to a skilled opponent as well. Positions five through seven retained positions on the ladder, however, and Josh Kim '15 claimed the second win of the day in number six while Jack Quamme '16 just missed victory at number five.

"We still haven't played a match at full strength, and if we had a full squad, then most likely the outcome would have been very different, and it would have been a more competitive match," said Wain.

The loss did not affect Andover's standings for High School Nationals. While a win would have given Andover a substantial advantage, the team will remain in the running.

Hoping for the quick recovery of its players, Andover will face both Choate and Westminster on Saturday.

1/24/14

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jake Rauh '14 lunges to return his opponent's shot.

Injuries Plague Team and Lead to Losses

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	6

Andover	0
Westminster	7

Andover	2
Choate	5

Lunging side to side, Co-Captain Jack Wain '14 returned his opponent's shots to claim the third set 13-11. Despite his hard play, Wain could not overcome a 2-0 deficit and ultimately fell to his Choate opponent in four games.

Andover Boys Squash suffered three consecutive losses this week, as the team lost to Choate 5-2, Westminster 7-0 and Exeter 6-1.

Andover's injuries proved a large problem against Choate on Saturday.

"Choate was definitely a winnable match, but inexperience and injury hurt us. The injuries have been messing up our ladder all season, and we have a very inexperienced team this year because the majority of our team did not play Varsity last year. We are going to work on this by playing more matches during practice to get more game experience," said Michael Huang '15.

Following the match against Choate, Andover played Westminster in a doubleheader on Saturday. Suffering from fatigue from the Choate match, the team fell to Westminster, a top-ranked Division I team.

Facing highly-skilled Westminster opponents, all but one of Andover's players lost in three sets.

Andover's most disappointing loss, however, came against archrival Exeter, which is seeded below Andover in league standings.

Andover's only point against Exeter came with a win from Huang at the top position on the ladder. After losing the first game 11-9, Huang picked apart his opponent's strategy to win the next two games.

In the fourth and final game, Huang took more risks and attempted low percentage shots, and he found his rhythm to win the game and take the important top match.

Exeter's experience at the bottom of the ladder, though, was too much for Andover to overcome. In addition to losing six matches in the two to eight positions, Andover forfeited a match due to the absence of Justin Curtis '15, who was injured.

"The team has unfortunately still been plagued with injuries. [Kun Woo Kim '14] was out due to his wrist, and Justin was forced to forfeit his last game against Exeter. We have two more matches this week and one next week before Nationals. The goal is for everyone to be healthy by Nationals. If everyone is healthy, our team should be able to do very well in Division III," said Jake Rauh '14.

Ranked high in Division III, Andover will try to come home with a much-needed victory.

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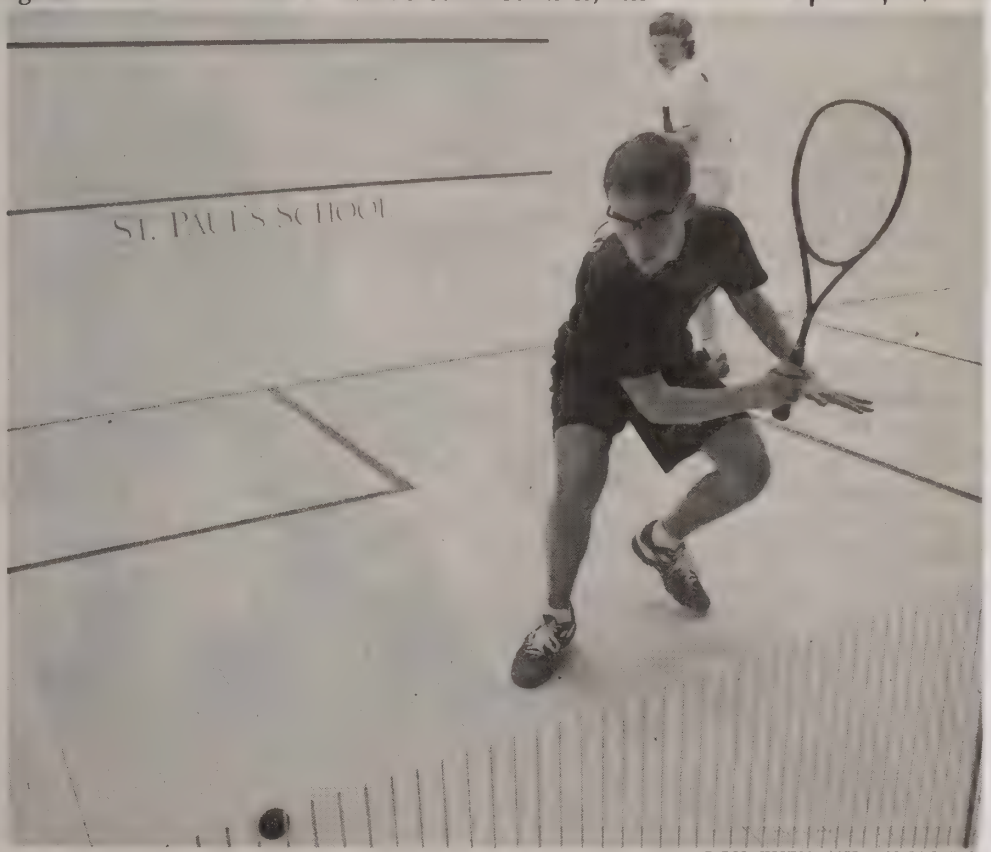

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jake Rauh '14 stares down the ball as he prepares a backhand return

Injuries Extend Losing Streak to Six Games

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jack Quamme '16 lunges to return his opponent's shot.

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Brooks	6

Andover	0
Nobles	7

With the score tied at 11-11 and the match at two games apiece, Jack Quamme '16 anxiously battled back and forth with his Brooks opponent. Unable to lock down the last two points of the game, however, Quamme eventually fell 3-2.

The team lost to Brooks 6-1 and to Nobles 7-0, which extended Andover's losing streak to six games.

Recurring injuries and an abundance of newcomers have made it difficult for the team to secure victories.

"It is hard to lose, but we practiced keeping a strong mentality and focused on playing the best to our ability during our last couple matches," said Cole Benedict '14.

Benedict dominated the game at the seven-spot with a 3-0 sweep to bring home Andover's only win. Benedict's opponent made multiple unforced errors, while Benedict consistently hit well-placed shots, resulting in an quick victory.

A top-ranked team in NEPSAC Division I, Nobles swept Andover 7-0, with most of Andover's players losing in three games.

At the top of the ladder, Huang and Co-Captain Jack Wain '14 lost 3-1 and 3-0 respectively.

"Overall the team played well against Brooks and Nobles, but they are both good teams who are very tough to beat. We are playing in Nationals without Kunwoo, but are still hoping to do well. This week we've taken it a little easier to prepare for this weekend." said Jake Rauh '14.

Andover has been preparing for its upcoming 2014 U.S. High School Team Squash Championships by focusing on its individual matches and skills, gaining experience and building team unity. The team will also utilize player-to-player coaching to its advantage in the championships.

Andover will compete in Division III of the Championships this weekend.

"We aren't expecting any certain outcome at Nationals, but rather to just play our best and represent Phillips Academy in the best way we can. While it is true we are coming off of a few tough losses, we played some of our best and most competitive squash during our last two matches against Brooks and Nobles and Greenough," said Benedict.

2/7/14

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 races to backhand the ball.

Boys Squash Comeback With DIII Title after 6 Straight Losses

Continued from A1, Column 4

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After many long points, Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 scored the winning point with a well-executed drop shot, clinching the 2014 Division Three High School National Squash Championship for Andover.

Andover's fourth consecutive victory—4-3 over Friends School—followed a 5-2 win against Blair, a 4-3 win against St. Georges and a 4-3 semifinal win against New Canaan High. The team overcame multiple injuries, six consecutive previous regular season losses, and placing eighth seed out of sixteen teams in division three.

"Our team was extremely motivated to prove ourselves at Nationals. We felt that our previous record was not indicative of our talent, and wanted to show others what we were capable of. As the eighth seed in the tournament, no one was expecting us to win, but in the tournament we played our best squash all season, and took home the hardware," said Justin Curtis '15.

Curtis, the only player to win all four of his matches, secured a particularly crucial win in the match against New Canaan High. Down 6-1 in the fifth game, Curtis decreased the point deficit and came out on top to win 11-9.

Andover's victory over Blair bumped the team to play St. George's, the number one team in the division.

"As the alluring national title came closer and closer to our grasp, we were increasingly motivated to reach that goal and both our level or play and mentality improved with each game," said Rem Remmel '14.

Although the team struggled at the top of the ladder, with losses from Huang and Co-Captain Jack Wain '14, the bottom of the ladder took advantage of St. George's lack of depth and won every match besides one.

"Going into the tournament we were definitely a dark horse, but by the end we had proved ourselves both to our opponents and ourselves and showed what this team is capable of," said Jack Quamme '16.

After the three wins, the team advanced to the finals. Both Huang and Co-Captain Jack Wain '14, at the one and two positions, won their individual matches 3-1 and 3-2 respectively.

"[Wain] and [Huang] both did a really good job leading the team and keeping us focused and working hard. They both really inspired all of us to do our best and the group as a whole is something special," said Quamme.

Both Quamme and Josh Kim '15 lost 3-2, the only losses for both these players this weekend. Jake Rauh '14 lost in three games, and Remmel won in four.

With upcoming matches against Exeter and Concord Academy and Interschols to end the season, the team intends to continuing its improved level of play. 2/14/14

DIII Championship Momentum Propels Boys to Win Over Concord Academy

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Concord	1

Andover	2
Exeter	5

Battling sickness and a match point, Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 rallied back in a epic test of both physical and emotional boundaries from 10-8. After winning the first game 11-8 and then dropping the second game 7-11, Huang was relentless in the third. He rallied back and forth with his Exeter opponent, but neither could capitalize on multiple match points until Huang pulled it out at 18-16. Carrying this momentum to that fourth game, Huang closed out the match 11-7.

Andover finished off its turbulent regular season with a 6-1 win over Concord Academy and a 5-2 loss against Exeter. Once again the team was missing multiple players due to injury and health reasons, and the ladder was compromised.

"Our season has been thoroughly plagued with illnesses and injuries, and we felt that it was not until our run at Nationals that we reached our full potential as a team. We were plagued again this week against Exeter," said Co-Captain Jack Wain '14.

Both Co-Captains won their matches at the top of the ladder against Exeter and were the only two players on the team playing in their typical positions.

Wain swept his opponent in three straight games, redeeming himself from a four game loss in the same matchup from earlier in the season. In the rematch, Wain remained consistent and positive, especially under the pressure of long rallies. He won 11-8, 11-9 and 11-4.

Although, besides Wain and Huang, the team lost all its matches, the matches were much closer than the score reflected. "We all played our hearts out against Exeter, but the ball just didn't bounce our way, and the majority of the games were close and winnable. However, I think we all faltered through the three and four positions and mentally put too much pressure on ourselves," said Armaan Singh '14, who lost in four games.

Without Justin Curtis '15 and Kun Woo Kim '15, there were gaping holes in the team's ladder that Exeter promptly took advantage of.

"Exeter had a strong team this year with a lot of Seniors. Our biggest weakness has been and continues to be the health of our team. The result of the match might have been very different if we had Kun Woo or Justin back. Missing both of them against a team like Exeter made it very difficult for us, and we just couldn't pull it out. We hopefully will have Justin back for Interschols and, with him, can hopefully place ahead of Exeter," said Jake Rauh '14.

The team was healthy for its match against Concord Academy, in which Andover lost only one match.

Andover will participate in the Division A of Interschols this weekend with the knowledge that it will face the top teams in the league. "Realistically we expect to be outmatched because these teams were in Division 1 for Nationals, but we want to go in and play the best squash that we can play and finish off the season on a positive note together as a team," said Wain.

D.BHATHENA *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 defeated his Exeter opponent in four games on Saturday.

2/21/14

J. SCHMITT, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jake Rauh '14 played in his last game for Andover Boys Squash this weekend.

Boys Unable To Continue Nationals Momentum

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After falling to the same St. Paul's opponent in four games earlier this season, Jack Quamme '16 outlasted his opponent in a five game thriller and avenged his previous losses this past Saturday at the Boys Squash Interschols.

Despite Quamme's redemption, Andover placed last among the 16 teams in group A. Although the team earned a total of 26 points, only four Andover players won matches throughout the tournament: Quamme, Co-Captain Jack Wain '14, Rem Remmel '14 and Justin Curtis '15.

"While we didn't perform as well as we might have liked, since the competition was very impressive, we are pretty satisfied with how we played. We all looked at this weekend as a learning experience, because playing against players with such a high level of play, there was much to learn from," said Quamme.

Many of the matches came down to determination.

"Towards the end it became a match of endurance. In the fifth game, it was essentially a test of will and simply which one of us wanted it more," said Quamme. He lost in his previous match against a player from Groton in four games and lost his third match in five close games that could have gone either way.

Co-Captain Michael Huang '15 lost all three of his matches to top-tier opponents. His matches against St. Paul's and Nobles started off neck-and-neck, but he lost momentum and was unable to close them out.

Wain won by default against Belmont Hill in his first match, but then suffered three consecutive losses. In his second match against Brunswick, he faced a player ranked in the top ten in the nation. Against Westminster, Wain showed improvement, winning the first game 11-8, but, afterwards, he fell 11-9, 12-10, 11-8.

Although the team was disappointed with the Interschols results, Andover is proud of the team progress and chemistry it has made over the season.

Huang added, "We were happy with the improvement throughout the season. We started off playing poorly, then really picked up the level of play towards Nationals. We developed into a closer team through Nationals."

The team placed 14th at Interschols last year, and, despite the loss of multiple experienced players from last season, Andover was able to maintain a consistent level of play over the last two seasons.

"I think I can speak for the other Seniors when I say that it was nice to go out with all of your teammates cheering you on and supporting you," said Wain.

Of the 11 players on the roster, over half will be graduating. Already, Andover is looking to fill their places and put the team back on an upward trend.

"In order to make substantial improvements next year, we are going to have to take better advantage of our off-season," said Huang.

3/25/14

Sport: Girls Varsity Squash

Year: 2014

Captains: Adele Bernhard, Madeleine Mayhew

Coach: Jennifer Elliott

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High School Nationals Division 2 Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Arnold, Rome
Bernhard, Adèle
Burns, Hannah
Crowe, Emma
Hooda, Misha
Kister, Laura
Mayhew, Madeleine
Posorske, Reagan
Price, Camille
Yun, Susan

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Varsity Squash
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Bernhard, Adèle*	2014	Brooklyn, NY
Burns, Hannah	2015	Upper Brookville, NY
Crowe, Emma	2015	Wayland, MA
Hooda, Misha	2014	Winter Springs, FL
Kister, Laura	2016	Kingston, NJ
Mayhew, Madeleine*	2015	New York, NY
Posorske, Reagan	2017	Cave Creek, AZ
Price, Camille	2015	New York, NY
Yun, Susan	2017	New York, NY

**Captains*

Coach: Jennifer Elliott

Manager: Rome Arnold '14

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 5:30 PM	Milton	H	Scrimmage	W 4-3
12/14 @ 2:00 PM	Groton		Scrimmage	
12/16 @ 4:15 PM	Brooks		Game	W 6-1
1/8 @ 3:30 PM	Winsor		Game	L 0-7
1/11 @ 3:00 PM	Taft/Loomis/PEA		Game	W -Andover 7, Loomis 0 /L - Andover 1, Taft 6
1/15 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor		Game	W 7-0
1/18 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 6-1
1/22 @ 3:00 PM	Groton	H	Game	W 4-3
1/25 @ 2:45 PM	Middlesex		Game	W 7-0
1/29 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	L 0-7
1/31 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks		Game	W 6-1
2/1 @ 1:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 1-6
2/7 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals		Game	W
2/8 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals		Game	W
2/9 @ 6:00 PM	High School Nationals		Game	W Division II Champs!
2/12 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	W 5-2
2/19 @ 2:45 PM	Exeter		Game	W 6-1
2/22-23	Interscholastics		Game	Placed 7th

Highlights

Brooks

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/16/2013 11:15 AM		Game		6-1

PA victorious over Brooks

Girls Varsity Squash beat Brooks today 6-1. (JV won 4-3 also!) We lost at the number one position in a sister to sister matchup! Adele Bernhard lost a tough match to her younger sister. 2-7 matches were excellent. This was a terrific first match for us. After we won the playday at Groton, we entered today's match feeling a bit more confident and ready. We are really looking forward to returning in January!

Winsor

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/8/2014 10:30 AM		Game		0-7

Tough Loss to Winsor

Girls varsity squash lost a disappointing match to a talented Winsor team today on the MIT courts. We lost 0-7, and we were unable to win a single game. It was a frustrating follow-up to our 2-5 loss to them last season. The Winsor team is experienced and deep; their girls covered the court particularly effectively. We were all impressed with their finesse and accuracy. The Big Blue squad will drill and train purposefully in the next two days to rally and prepare for our away matched against Loomis and Taft (at Loomis) on Saturday.

Taft/Loomis/PEA

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/11/2014 10:00 AM		Game		Andover 7, Loomis 0 / Andover 1, Taft 6

GVS Splits Matches

Andover beat Loomis 7-0. Junior Susan Yun had a particularly exciting match at #7. We lost to a strong Taft team 1-6. At #2 Madeleine Mayhew played her best squash of the season to win! Camille Price at #3, Emma Crowe at #5, and Claire Kister at #6 lost hard fought matches in four games.

Groton

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/22/2014 10:00 AM	H	Game		4-3

Huge Win for GVS!!

We beat Groton today for the first time in years! It was an exciting 4-3 win! Adele Bernhard, our co-captain at #1, clinched that team's victory in a decisive three game match! Hannah Burns at #4, despite nagging leg pain, pulled out an epic 5 game win. Emma Crowe at #5 and Claire Kister at #6 played offensively and aggressively to win their matches in 3 games. While these four individuals pulled off "w's" today, it was a whole team victory! What an awesome day for our team and our program!

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/29/2014 11:15 AM	H	Game		0-7

Difficult 0-7 loss to the dominant Deerfield team.

To note, Co-Captain Adele Bernhard played an outstanding match at #1. It was so important for our whole team to witness Adele's fierce determination, aggressive style, and impressive footwork and endurance. It was such an important lesson for the whole team. It is easy to get psyched out in a squash match when you come up against a more skilled and experienced player. Instead of feeling intimidated by her opponent, Adele went into the match with greater confidence and drive. It certainly helped that there was such a spirited crowd supporting her. Loyal fans, keep coming to the courts on match days! It was awesome! Up and down the ladder, PA girls competed with grit. The Deerfield coach praised that Big Blue's fitness and movement on court. Our hard work is paying off! We are excited about our upcoming matches against Brooks tomorrow and Nobles on Saturday.

Core of Four Uppers Strives for Success

By Sam Zager
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Andover Girls Squash, led by Head Coach Jenny Elliott and Co-Captains Adèle Bernhard '14 and Madeleine Mayhew '15, is optimistic about its prospects for the upcoming season.

The team finished out last season just above .500, posting a 7-6 record.

"I see a lot of potential in this team. It is a great group of hardworking girls, ready to challenge themselves both on and off the court... I think our record is going to be successful," said Mayhew.

The team will enter this season with seven returning players and two newcomers: Susan Yun '17 and Reagan Posorske '17. The pair hopes to add to the very experienced roster's great depth.

Bernhard and Mayhew will be leading a team that already features two Seniors, four Uppers and one Lower.

Returners include Misha Hooda '14, Camille Price '15, Emma Crowe '15, Hannah Burns '15 and Claire Kister '16.

"It is a lucky scenario when you can place any combination of players on the court and feel confident that they will work hard and demand much of each other," said Elliott.

Th players on the team have pushed themselves far beyond the norm, practicing not only amongst themselves but also with players on Andover Boys Squash and even John Palfrey, Head of School.

"I would say our greatest asset is our determined work ethic and our ability to push each other in every drill every day," said Elliott.

"The returning players love and respect each other, and they are eager to welcome our two new players into the mix," she continued.

Bernhard and Mayhew have led by example in practice, working hard day in and day out. They will sit atop the ladder to start the season, which Elliott described as having "strong potential for mobility," made possible by the depth and talent of the team.

In each of its last four seasons, the team has improved its record, with much of the success credited to Elliott. Under her, the team is confident that trend will continue. "[Coach Elliott] pushes us, while supporting us. She has the most energy out of anyone I know, and it is infectious," said Mayhew. "I can't describe Coach Elliott [briefly] just because it wouldn't give her justice."

The team looks to complete unfinished business with Milton, Brooks, Middlesex, St. Paul's and Choate this season after reporting close losses last year.

Andover will open its season this weekend at Groton, with hopes to live up to its potential and start the season off on a strong note. 12/13/13

Losses Across the Ladder End Strong Start to Season

By Sam Zager
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Andover	6
Brooks	1

Andover	0
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Andover Girls Squash started its season with an opening tournament win against Groton on Saturday, December 14, 2013, in a pool of seven teams, including Exeter.

The team went on to deliver a resounding 6-1 win against Brooks on Monday, December 16, 2013, before dropping a tough match to a talented and experienced Winsor team on Wednesday, January 8, at the MIT courts.

The team journeyed to Groton to participate in the "play day" tournament. In tournament match play, there were four draws, also called divisions, and pairs of players were matched with each other to compete in each division. The number one and two players were in the one division, the three and the four players in the two division and so forth.

Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15 bested Helen Bernhard, the younger sister of Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14, from Brooks, in a solid matchup before losing in the finals of the number one division.

After missing last season due to injury, Hannah Burns '15 returned with full force to win her division. "[The win] gave me a lot of confidence coming back to the courts. Our mindset with the Groton play day was to just see how we matched up against the other teams. It gave us a good warm up for our season and a good idea of where we would stand," said Burns.

Camille Price '15 also secured a number two division win for Andover.

Winning two of the divisions combined with solid play from the rest of the squad netted Andover a total of 85 points, enough to take first place with five points over number two Groton.

"The Groton tournament was very exciting and gave our team confidence going into the season, knowing that we would not only come across the teams we faced at Groton again individually, but also at nationals," said Adèle Bernhard.

With confidence garnered from the Groton win, Girls Squash coasted to a 6-1 win against Brooks on Sunday. Andover's two through seven ranked players performed well, with the only loss of the day coming from a sister matchup when Helen Bernhard defeated her older sister Adèle Bernhard in a number one matchup.

Adèle Bernhard took the loss with a show of great sportsmanship and grace. "My sister played a very strong and focused game and despite losing to her, I am proud with the way she competed. She is an incredible athlete and Brooks is lucky to have her."

Andover traveled on Wednesday to MIT to compete against Winsor with a desire to avenge last season's 5-2 loss. The team was met by an extremely deep and talented Winsor team who handed Andover its first loss of the season in a 7-0 contest.

"It was a frustrating follow-up [to last season's matchup]. The Winsor team is experienced and deep; their girls covered the court particularly effectively. We were all impressed with their finesse and accuracy," said Head Coach Jennifer Elliott.

Andover returns to the courts for two days of hard practice under the watchful eye of Head Coach Jennifer Elliott and will play at Loomis against both Loomis and Taft on Saturday.

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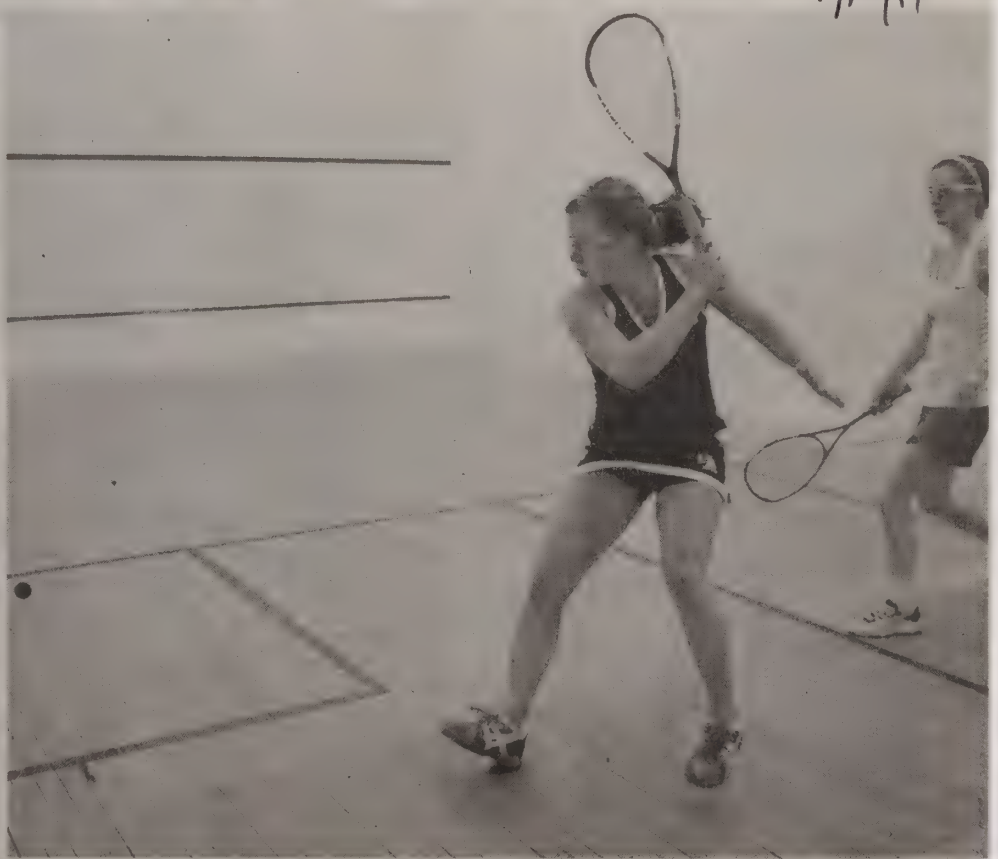

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Co-Captain Adèle Berhhard '14 battled her younger sister in a matchup against Brooks.

Girls Undefeated at Tabor

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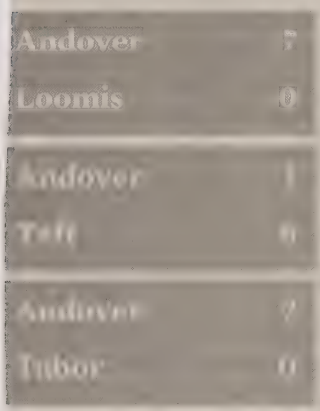

Tirelessly battling her way from a 0-2 deficit, Reagan Posorske '17 kept her Tabor opponent at bay to ultimately claim her first win of the season in a grueling 5-3 match.

"I was really excited after today and proud of myself," said Posorske. "I felt so much support from my teammates and there was so much positive energy afterwards and during my match."

After going 1-1 on Saturday in its second "Play Day" Tournament at Taft, Andover Girls Squash returned to the courts with a vengeance on Wednesday, decisively shutting Tabor out with a combined JV-Varsity score of 19-0 in which not a single Andover player lost.

Other than Posorske, all the girls on Varsity swept their matches 3-0. "We just really performed today," said Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15. "From the first point to the last point, everyone was ready on the 'T' to be aggressive."

The team's success was a product of grueling practice early on in the week after its doubleheader against Loomis and Taft over the weekend. Against Loomis, Andover started on a high note and easily dominated across the ladder 7-0.

"One of the goals Coach [Jennifer] Elliott presented to us before our matches was to be present from the very first point and hit the ground running so as not to allow our opponents any leeway," said Camille Price '15. "It was striking how the team translated some of the more difficult strategies we've been practicing into the match situation."

Price successfully occupied the "T" throughout the match, giving her opponent very little recovery time. Susan Yun '17 pulled through in an extremely competitive five-set match as well.

Against Taft, however, Andover lost its momentum and lost 1-6. Mayhew, who played number two, came out as the only victorious player in the match with her "best squash of the season," according to Coach Elliott.

"My match was so exciting. I had played [my opponent] Maggie several times before, and this was the first time I beat her. I was aggressively pushed up in the court and dominated with hard low cross courts and volley kills," said Mayhew.

Despite the lopsided score, almost all of the seven matches were tightly contested. Emma Crowe '15 at number five and Claire Kister '16 at number six both played close matches, each falling in four tight games.

Using the loss as motivation, the team has trained especially hard in practice and has emphasized fitness and mobility in its revamped style of play. With a record of 4-2, Andover hopes to continue its success this weekend against archrival Exeter at home on Saturday.

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Rivals Dethroned

By Sam Zager
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Andover	6
Exeter	1
Andover	4
Groton	3

Andover Girls Squash had a momentous week marked by victories over its biggest rivals, Exeter and Groton.

On Friday, the day before the home matchup against Exeter, the team dressed up in style for a "wacky" practice day filled with fun to lighten the mood going into the big match. Players sported costumes ranging from sunflowers to Minnie Mouse to practice while loud music blared, with Coach Jenny Elliott herself taking part in the festivities.

As it turned out, the practice would be the prelude to a decisive 6-1 win over rival Exeter at home, Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14 and Misha Hooda '14's last home matches against Exeter.

"The highlight of today was definitely our [pregame] introductions [to the home crowd]," said Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15. "Coach Elliott gave [Hooda and Bernhard] special shoutouts and everyone clapped. We had so many people there and everyone [on the team] was so energized to crush Exeter!"

The electric atmosphere seemed to help Andover in its play. This was especially true for Bernhard, who finished her home career against Exeter on a high note with a win from the number one position.

"The Exeter match was so much fun. The courts were packed with Andover fans and were a big presence during the match. I love playing in that kind of atmosphere and I play some of my best squash in front of big crowds," said Bernhard.

Carrying over the momentum from the win versus Exeter into Wednesday, Andover went up against Groton with a mission. Going into the match, the team focused on avenging a 7-0 loss from the year previously.

Andover did not disappoint. In its closest match of the season, Andover ousted Groton 4-3, picking up wins from Bernhard, Hannah Burns '15, Emma Crowe '15 and Claire Kister '16 from positions 1, 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

While Crowe, Kister and Bernhard would go on to win their matches in three games, Burns scrapped her way to a five game win while battling leg pain that Coach Elliott could only describe as "epic." After winning the first game, Burns dropped the next two to trail 2-1.

Refusing to throw in the towel despite the injury, Burns went on to win the next two games in a truly tight matchup.

"I lost my mental game a bit in the third game, but thankfully I turned it around in time," said Burns.

With Andover and Groton tied at three matches apiece, it came down to a battle at the first position featuring Bernhard.

Bernhard closed out the match in style as the deciding match, dominating her opponent in the first two games.

In the third game, Bernhard was losing 2-6, but clawed her way back to win the third game 11-8.

"One aspect of my game I have been working on this season is staying calm, and today I was really able to accomplish that. This was my first deciding match and I felt very proud to help gain this win for the team," said Bernhard.

Andover looks to continue its winning mentality and will take the courts again this Saturday on the road at Middlesex in an out-of-league matchup.

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Athlete of the Week

Emma Crowe '15

GIRLS SQUASH

Crushing both her opponents in clean 3-0 victories, Emma Crowe '15 kept the core of the ladder tight and played a pivotal role in Andover Girls Squash's double trumping of tough competitors Exeter and Groton over the past week. Her prowess on the court and unmatched ability to keep her cool under stress have earned her the title of* The Phillipian's *Athlete of the Week.

How did your match go against Exeter this past weekend?

The match against Exeter went really, really well for everyone on the team. It felt great to have so much support in the stands and from the team as well—it really was a team victory. Individually, we all needed to concentrate on different things. Historically, their number one and number two players have been really strong, so, in that sense, some of us had more difficult matches and some of us were fortunate enough to have matches that allowed for more self-reflection while playing in a lower-pressure setting. Personally, my match went really well—it was one of those matches where everything you've practiced seamlessly comes together and makes for some really great, enjoyable playing. At the end of the day, I felt like I played well, kept calm, and consciously worked on the things that needed improvement.

When you tell people you play squash, do they sometimes mistake you for being a gourd enthusiast?

Always, always.

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What does this week's win against Groton mean for the team?

Historically, Groton has always been a difficult team to play. They're strong up and down the ladder so I think the whole team felt a bit of trepidation before the match. I think it means a lot to the team that we were able to pull this one out, especially because it was so close, and it's both gratifying and inspiring to see the team's hard work pay off. Hopefully, this momentum will continue to help the team realize our full potential and abilities.

What is your favorite part of the team?

My favorite part of the team is definitely all the support. As cliché as it sounds, we really all feel like we're part of a family and that no matter what, at the end of the day, we can go to the squash courts and play or sing or dance or cry with people who will support us. In the past year, and even weeks, we've all grown so much closer and learned to really help each other out. Team dinners in Commons or Stowe House are always my highlights of the day or my week—it doesn't hurt that Mrs. Elliott has the cutest kids in the world.

Describe your racket.

Black and red, but the grip is blue and yellow, courtesy of Maddie Mayhew during a pre-match emergency. Honestly, it's the ugliest thing.

Have you been doing differently lately to improve your game?

Self-reflection really plays a huge part in training and in realizing what needs work. Whether it's between games during coaching, during a post-match huddle or before practice, honest-but constructive-reflection is incredibly important. Lately, what I've been trying to work on is consistency of shots, rhythmic movement on court and fitness... especially fitness.

Have any moments during the season thus far been particularly memorable?

There are a couple particular moments that come to mind; most of them involve dancing, singing, crying or all three. For our team psyche on Friday, Girls Varsity and JV Squash had the best time just playing squash in the craziest outfits imaginable. It was probably the most fun I've had in a long time.

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GIRLSSQUASH

Rollercoaster Week Yields Both 7-0 Victory and Loss

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Andover	7
Middlesex	0

Andover	0
Deerfield	7

In their games against Middlesex, Misha Hooda '14 and Reagan Posorske '17 fought back from their 2-1 deficit to win their matches 3-2. With momentum on their sides, Hooda and Posorske effectively closed out their games and finished off a struggling Middlesex team to complete the pending 7-0 sweeps for Andover Girls Squash.

"I coached Misha in between the third and fourth games. I told her to hit with power and try to remain calm on court. It worked. Watching Misha come back was really exciting. Even though she was down 2-1, she pulled it together and made the team proud," said Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15. "We all played with intensity and grit. It was such a great win for us."

Co-Captains Adéle Bernhard '14 and Mayhew set the tone by sweeping their matches in three games to open the day at the number one and two positions.

Hannah Burns '15, Emma Crowe '15 and Claire Kister '16 would all follow suit, and at 5-0, Andover had yet to drop a game.

Andover hoped to capitalize on the confidence booster as the match against Middlesex prepared for a traditionally tough match against Deerfield on Wednesday.

"[Coach Elliott] just told us to go out there and play with dignity like we had nothing to lose," said Kister.

Up and down the ladder, the Andover team played Deerfield determined with a daunting task ahead of them. In the end though, the depth and experience of Deerfield proved too much, as it handed Andover a resounding 7-0 defeat.

"[Deerfield is] always a tough match, but we always try to bring our best," said Mayhew following the loss. "I am really proud of the team, Adéle in particular. It is always fun to see the team put in all of their effort and lose smiling."

Crowe said, "Adéle [Bernhard] easily had the best match. All of the support she received was incredible and it was probably the best I've ever seen her play. She hustled to the very, very end."

Bernhard was the only Andover player to win a game in the loss.

"[Following the game,] Coach Elliott told the team she was really proud of us, because she knew we all played our hardest in this one," said Kister.

On Friday, Andover will travel across town to face rival Brooks.

"Playing such a talented team is always hard but we went into it knowing we really had nothing to lose and I think that really helped us prepare ourselves to just play our best," said Crowe. "Having such difficult opponents also really forces each of us to notice our consistently biggest mistakes, which will help us to improve upon them for future matches." 1/31/14

Same Scores, Opposite Sides: Andover Wins One, Loses One

By Sam Zager
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Andover	6
Brooks	1

Andover	1
Nobles	6

Down 11-12 in the set and facing the possibility of playing a fifth game, newcomer Reagan Posorske '17 drove a deep rail shot into the corner to tie the set at 12 apiece. With momentum on her side, Posorske locked down the next two points to seal her match victory, one of six as Andover Girls Squash defeated Brooks 6-1 on Friday.

Hannah Burns '15 and Claire Kister '16 kicked off the team's match with two quick 3-0 wins. Camille Price '15 added to the victories with a clean sweep of her own.

Up 3-0, Andover turned to Posorske for its fourth point of the night. After dropping the first game 8-11, Posorske sought advice from her teammates to help her adjust her strategy.

"Coming onto the court, I was definitely intimidated because she was so tall. I lost that first game due to nervousness," said Posorske. "Fortunately, I have amazing teammates who told me to just relax and play the traditional straight rail deep."

With a new plan, Posorske reversed the scoreboard with an 11-8 win to the match at one game apiece. Posorske then utilized her powerful serve and momentum to pick up the third game at 11-8 as well.

"[During the second match,] I figured out that her weakness was indeed returning those deep rails [as my teammates had told me]," said Posorske.

Posorske went on the win the match with a 14-12 victory in the fourth game.

With the match already clinched, Misha Hooda '14 won at the four position before Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15 suffered the lone loss for Andover at the two position. Mayhew dropped a four-game set to Co-Captain Adele Bernhard '14's younger sister Helen Bernhard.

"Helen is always a challenging opponent, and I love playing her," said Mayhew. "Our styles really compliment each other, and in the past we've gone back and forth."

Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14 took home a victory at the one spot in five games.

"I was so proud of Adèle: her match was very intense and exciting, and her ability to stay focused was remarkable," said Mayhew.

Andover could not carry its momentum from its match against Brooks as the team fell to Nobles 6-1 on Saturday.

The sole win of the day for Andover came from Claire Kister '16 in a four-game match at the six position.

Andover will head to the 2014 U.S. High School Team Squash Championships in Philadelphia on Friday.

"Nationals were canceled last year due to snow, so as a team, we are excited to return and hopefully do better than we did my freshmen year. We are projected to win Division II, which would be a success for our program," said Mayhew.

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Camille Price '15 shakes her Groton opponent's hand.

Girls and Boys Varsity Squash Win High School National Championships in Respective Divisions

STAFF REPORT

Putting the familiar grounds of the Andover campus and their rollercoaster seasons behind them, Andover Boys and Girls Squash traveled to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to compete in the 2014 United States High School Team Squash Championships. They returned from their journey as the Champions of Division III and II respectively.

According to the tournament website, the U.S. National Championship is the biggest squash tournament in the world, featuring over 150 schools from sixteen states. Teams are placed into divisions based on rankings and performance.

Both teams endured a weekend of four grueling matches, culminating in a national title and trophies to boast.

The tournament was filled with a mixture of individual and team battles.

Coming off of a string of injuries and losses, Boys Squash made waves in the tournament. The team came in as the eighth seed and rose to defeat the Friends School in a thrilling championship match 4-3.

Of the team's four wins, three came dangerously close at 4-3.

"We went in to Nationals knowing that we were the underdogs, and we had the mindset that we wouldn't settle for anything less than first, and everyone on the team stepped up to do it," said Jake Rauh '14.

On the Girls side, Andover took down Brooks for the third time this season. In the previous matchups, the only losses came at the hands of Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard's younger sister Helen. This time around, however, Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew ensured victory by handling Helen Bernhard in five-games.

"The tournament vibe is unique. It gets everyone nervous, but in an excited way. It brings us together, which is important in a traditionally individual sport like squash," said Mayhew. "This weekend we came in with nothing but the intention to perform to the best of our ability, and I could not be more proud of the team."

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Varsity Squash teams celebrate their respective wins.

Girls Squash Team Reigns Victorious in DII Championship

Continued from A1, Column 4

By Sam Zager
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Coach Jenny Elliott stood beaming with Seniors Misha Hooda '14 and Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14 on a podium in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, last Sunday while hoisting a golden plate and a banner proclaiming the Andover Girls Squash team as the 2014 U.S. High School Division II National Champions. Going up against some of the strongest teams in the nation during the weekend, Andover came out on top with four wins in a bracket of 16 teams, including the clincher against Choate, 5-2.

Andover started off its weekend against Hotchkiss, posting a 6-1 victory.

The second match of the tournament proved to be much harder. The top of the ladder for Andover went down in order 1 through 3, but the team's depth shined through, as Emma Crowe '15, Hannah Burns '15, Claire Kister '16 and Hooda all came up victorious. Of the four wins, Andover swept three while Burns picked up a four game win after falling behind 1-0.

With the two wins, Andover earned a spot in the semifinals, and a chance to face Brooks, in their third such matchup of the season that had been preceded by two 6-1 Andover wins. The sole Brooks triumph in each of the previous matchups had been supplied by Bernhard's younger sister, Helen, who took down both Andover Co-Captains Bernhard and Madeleine Mayhew '15. This time, however, Mayhew went into the match with a clear idea of her opponent. After battling hard for two games, the match was tied at 1-1, but Mayhew persevered, winning the third game and fourth games 11-8 and 11-3 respectively. Andover put away Brooks again with relative ease, posting yet another 6-1 win.

The finals matchup was a battle to the bitter end, emotions ran high, especially for Hooda. "Right before we played Choate that day, the team watched the famous locker room talk from the movie 'Friday Night Lights' and standing there, I realized, 'I'm a Senior.' This is the last match I will ever play at a High School Nationals and even if I lose, I'm going to lose knowing that I put every ounce of effort into this match," said Hooda, who had won all three of her previous matchups in the tournament.

After winning the first game 11-7, Hooda dropped two consecutive games 5-11 and 7-11. "After the third game, I was exhausted and most of the team was around me trying to pump me up," she said.

Her teammates' support proved key, as she roared back a tight fourth game 11-9. In the fifth, with the match on the line, Hooda took the match 11-8 in a dramatic fashion.

Andover as a team would go on to win 5-2.

As Hooda said of the win, "Being a Senior, I am so proud of the team. My Freshman year, we finished at the bottom of Division III. I honestly can't believe how much we improved thanks to Coach Elliott. It's been incredible to see how the program has grown in the last four years and I feel so lucky to be a part of it."

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Andover Squashes St. Paul's in Seniors' Final Home Match

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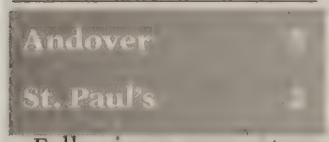

Following a momentous win at the 2014 U.S. High School Division II National Championships over the weekend, Andover Girls Squash played host to a favored St. Paul's team last Wednesday. Carrying the momentum of the weekend, Andover handled St. Paul's with a 5-2 upset.

In what would be the final home match of Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14 and Misha Hooda '14's Andover careers, the team was not intimidated by a St. Paul's team that had played in the first division at the Championships while Andover played in the second.

Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15 swept her opponent from the number two position early, allowing her opponent no more than a collective seven points throughout all three games.

On Wednesday, the first five positions on the ladder won the match for Andover.

"Our victory today against St. Paul's was a great conclusion as our final home match of the season. Having quite consistently lost to SPS in the past, we entered the match determined just to play our hardest and channel the energy from our victory at Nationals. While our final score was a decisive 5-2, three of our wins were taken to five sets, making for a very exciting Wednesday," said Camille Price '15.

Bernhard won 3-1 and in the numbers three to five, respectively, Price, Hannah Burns '15 and Emma Crowe '15 took their matches in close five-game contests.

However, Claire Kister '16, Hooda and Reagan Posorske '17 fell to their St. Paul's opponents.

Mayhew said, "I think our win today against St. Paul's is a result of the confidence we gained from this weekend."

Attached to the win was meaningful sentiment as the team prepared to bid goodbye to its Senior leaders.

"I think Misha and Adèle were definitely feeling emotional about this last home match, but they were also really excited to go in and win it, especially because St. Paul's was in Division I for Nationals," said Kister. "They were both feeling sentimental following the win but both they and Coach Elliott were really excited we came away with the win."

Price added, "Our victory was bittersweet, as our match marked the last home match for our two senior players, Misha and Adèle, who have been amazing role models and invaluable team members."

Andover has one more weekend of matches against Milton and Choate before Andover/Exeter commences at home this year on February 19.

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Seniors Cap off Final A/E With Decisive Victory

By Sam Zager
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Andover	6
Exeter	1

After dropping an intensely competed 10-12 opening game in her match when Andover Girls Squash's match against Exeter on Wednesday, Misha Hooda '14 recollected herself in the intermission and came out with an unwavering conviction to redeem the close loss. With her inspired play, Hooda more than doubled her opponent's score in the second game and did not move an inch in the third, only relenting two points. In the fourth and final game, Hooda once again made quick work of her opponent as she won 11-5.

This was Andover's second matchup against archrival Exeter this season. Despite a change in venue, the results remained the same: in both matches, Andover posted an intimidating 6-1 victory.

Andover was scheduled to oppose both Milton and Choate on Saturday, but was forced to cancel due to snow conditions.

With the win over Exeter, the team's record progressed to 14-4. This year will mark the fifth consecutive in which the team has improved its standing.

"All across the board, the level of play was high. Everyone was spirited and eager to beat Exeter for the second time this season," said Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15.

At the Exeter match, Mayhew inspired the team with a four-game win. Despite winning the first 11-8, Mayhew, playing the number two position on the ladder, fell 6-11 in the second. However, in the third and fourth games, she turned the score around in her favor and shut down her opponent, winning the the third and fourth games 11-6, 11-4, respectively.

Claire Kister '16 at number six, posted a very similar match, winning the first, dropping the second and then closing the match out in the third and fourth games.

The lone loss of the day came from Co-Captain Adéle Bernhard '14, who lost in three closely contested games at the number one position.

Aside from the two four-game wins and Bernhard's loss, the rest of the girls took their matches in three games. All four of the team's Uppers took their matches.

"This season has been phenomenal," said Emma Crowe '15, who plays at the number five position.

Crowe continued, "Everyone has worked so hard, improved so much, and the team as a whole has become so much closer as a single entity. I think today was really emotional for everyone, as the last Andover-Exeter match for the seniors and our last match of the season as well. It was definitely a fantastic way to close up the season, and a great way to move into Interschols."

This weekend, Andover Girls Squash will compete in Interschols hosted at Groton. Each Andover player will be placed in a draw with 13 other girls, all of whom play the same number on the ladder. For example, Mayhew will be placed in a draw with thirteen other number twos.

2/21/14

Girls Finish 7th of 16 At Interschols

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Moving around the court with ease and hitting her shots with poise and precision, Co-Captain Adèle Bernhard '14 won the last match of her Andover squash career with a low crosscourt rail.

Over the weekend, Andover Girls Squash finished out its season with a seventh place finish out of 16 top New England teams at the annual Interscholastics tournament at Groton.

Co-Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15 opened up with a five-game victory over her Groton opponent. After dominating the first game 11-3, Mayhew dropped the second 5-11 and the third 10-12 before staving off her opponent in the fourth and the fifth games for 11-8 and 11-7 wins.

"I really had to push myself mentally and physically to stay calm," said Mayhew. "Despite how tired I was, [I was able] to persevere and complete the match."

Though Mayhew fell to a Nobles player in the eighth round of Division II, she closed off her next three games to secure a fifth place finish, the highest of any Andover competitor in the tournament.

In Division III, Camille Price '15 lost early on in four games against her St. Paul's opponent.

Price, undeterred, won the first game of the consolation tournament in a smooth three games against the third-seed player from Hotchkiss, never allowing her opponent more than seven points.

In her third game of the day, Price won in three against a Groton opponent to whom she had fallen 2-1 in the regular season.

She went on to lose in the round of four of the consolation tournament, but won her final game against Miss Porter's School for an eighth place finish.

Price said, "The key for our success at [Interschols] was not only the hard technical training we have done throughout the course of the season... what often distinguished us from our opponents was the team's fitness and mental toughness that we have been practicing through the winter."

No Andover competitor finished lower than 12th in the tournament, including five top-eight finishes from Mayhew (fifth), Claire Kister '16 (sixth), Emma Crowe '15 (seventh), Price (eighth) and Misha Hooda '14 (eighth) from Divisions II, VI, V, III and VII, respectively. Andover's seventh place finish continues the upward trend the team has enjoyed the last three seasons, as it finished ninth last year and 13th the year before.

"I am so proud of the team," said Mayhew. "The way [Coach Jennifer] Elliott looked at us summed it up. We lived up to — or one could even say surpassed — expectations. It is so exciting for our program."

After losing the first two games in the final event of her Andover career, Hooda played what she described as "two of the best games I have ever played."

"Just before the second game, I was coached by Coach Elliott and Emma Crowe, and I realized I had absolutely nothing to lose in this game. Walking back on court, I was focused like never before," she said.

Hooda won her third game but lost her fourth against Nobles. "Even though I lost, I am proud of my last game and know that it was only so rewarding because I had my entire team behind me... I will never forget the memories we have made on and off the court," said Hooda.

2/5/14

Adèle Bernhard Madeleine Mayhew

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Andover Girls Squash has brought home a national championship and a resounding 6-1 victory against Exeter this season, as well as a 14-4 record that catapulted it into the top teams in the league. As an individual sport, the unity of the team as a whole is due in large part to Co-Captains Adèle Bernhard '14 and Madeleine Mayhew '15. With seven years of Varsity experience between the two of them, including four combined years as Captains, the two have made an enormous impact on their team.

Andover finished out its season at Interscholastics this past Sunday, finishing seventh out of 16 teams at Groton. Bernhard, who will graduate this year and has been a stalwart anchor from the number one position for four years and a Captain for three, ended her career at Andover with a 12th place finish at the tournament.

Mayhew, defending the number two position, finished highest among team members. Mayhew won four of her five matches en route to a fifth place finish in her division.

"I was so happy to share my first year as Captain with Adèle," said Mayhew. "There is no better role model for the job."

Both Captains have been part of the squash team since their Junior years, solidifying Andover's dominance at the top of the ladder.

"This team has taught me so much about what it means to be a teammate. Coming from the individual circuit, I had never played on a team before and my fellow teammates and Coach [Jennifer] Elliott gave me a new perspective on competing and training for something larger than myself," said Bernhard.

"I will really miss the people," she continued. "I want to be remembered as a Captain who cared deeply for her team and who inspired her teammates to push themselves farther than they thought they could."

The Andover team has been on an upward trend for the last four years now, improving its record each year and culminating this year into a national championship.

"I am so proud of the Varsity Squash girls this season. Out of all the seasons during my time at Andover, this season definitely was the tightest knit. The team did an amazing job motivating and supporting one another on and off the court," Bernhard added.

In a sport that traditionally promotes competition among teammates and individual play to grab higher ladder spots, the Co-Captains have created a Andover strong bond of team chemistry.

Mayhew said, "A lot of high school teams are very competitive within their own ladders, and their goals are to play in college, not to bond as a team. Our program really emphasizes the intensity, but also the team aspect. That is what is essential to our success."

Both Mayhew and Bernhard have had great moments over their careers playing squash for Andover. For Bernhard, a four-year Senior from New York, NY, the infamous Andover/Exeter match has a special place in her heart.

"The greatest moment would have [had] to be the home match against Exeter this winter. We had a lot of excitement leading up to the match, and I always love seeing Coach [Elliott] get hyped up for the big rivalry. We ended up sweeping, but it was really the energy amongst the team that made it such a special bonding moment," said Bernhard.

Mayhew, a three-year Upper also from New York, NY, cites a moment from this year's season as her favorite as well. "Probably winning Nationals this year. It was so rewarding and was a true testament to our hard work... For me, it is always important to remember that it is a team effort," said Mayhew.

Andover will look to continue improving next season, despite losing the superb play from both Bernhard and Misha Hooda '14, who played at the number seven position. The team looks forward to seeing leadership from the four rising Seniors: Mayhew, Hannah Burns '15, Emma Crowe '15 and Camille Price '15.

2/27/14

Sport: Boys Varsity Swimming

Year: 2014

Captains: Joseph Faller, Timothy Wynter

Coach: David Fox

Assistant Coach: Jacques Hugon

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New England Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Alberga, Christian
Bouscaren, Travis
Camarda, Michael
Cao, David
Cho, Dong Heon
Choi, Thomas
Faller, Joseph
Li, Alexander
Li, Christopher
Rossi, Marcello
Simpson, Scott
Teo, Aaron
Ty, Darren
Van Eijk, Charles
Wynter, Timothy
Xue, Jonathan
Yang, Andrew
Zhong, Richard

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Varsity Swimming
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Alberga, Christian	2017	Kingston, JAM
Bouscaren, Travis	2014	Cambridge, MA
Camarda, Michael	2014	Laguna Hills, CA
Cao, David	2014	Tallahassee, FL
Cho, Dong Heon	2014	Seoul, KOR
Choi, Thomas	2016	Singapore
Faller, Joseph*	2014	North Reading, MA
Li, Alexander	2015	Riverside, CT
Li, Christopher	2015	Riverside, CT
Oh, Heson	2014	North Andover, MA
Rossi, Marcello	2016	Brussels, BEL
Simpson, Scott	2014	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
Teo, Aaron	2015	Singapore
Ty, Darren	2016	North Andover, MA
Van Eijk, Charles	2014	New Delhi, IND
Wynter, Timothy*	2014	Miami, FL
Xue, Jonathan	2017	Andover, MA
Yang, Andrew	2014	Taipei, TWN
Zhong, Richard	2017	Andover, MA

**Captains*

Coach: David Fox

Assistant Coach: Jacques Hugon

Managers: Jamie Chen '15, Natalie Kim '14, Alec Kingston '14

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 4:45 PM	Suffield		Game	W 109-77
12/7 @ 4:45 PM	Peddie		Game	L 90-93
1/11 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis		Game	W 115-70
1/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 102-63
1/25 @ 4:30 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 107-78
2/1 @ 1:00 PM	Hopkins		Game	W 96-78
2/15 @ 2:00 PM	Exeter		Game	W 131-53
2/20 @ 1:00 PM	Eastern's		Game	
2/21-23	114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships		Championship	4th Place: 292 Points
3/2 @ 9:00 PM	New England Championships		Championship	W 442 Points / Suffield 2nd with 341

Highlights

Suffield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/7/2013 11:45 AM	[redacted]	Game	Suffield	109-77

Boys' Swimming and Diving Launches 2014 Campaign with Pool Record and Win

After nine practices spread across twenty-seven days, the Andover Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving team traveled to Suffield for simultaneous dual meets against Suffield and Peddie. Because Andover did not attend last year's New England Championships, this was the first meeting between the schools since 2012.

Andover's "A" 200 Medley Relay of co-captain Tim Wynter '14, Scott Simpson '14, Alex Li '15, and Michael Camarda '14 set the tone for the season in the opening event by swimming a remarkable 1:36.61, which not only shattered the Suffield pool record but was also the 5th fastest performance in school history and the 12th fastest in New England history. The "B" relay of Charlee Van Eijk '14, Andrew Yang '14, Chris Li '15, and Christian Alberga '17 was fourth in 1:46.20.

In the 200 Freestyle, co-captain Joe Faller '14 swam an impressively paced 1:45.40 for the win, followed by Marcello Rossi '16 in 1:49.74 for third. Travis Bouscaren '14 swam 1:55.09 for sixth while Thomas Choi '16 swam 1:56.27 in non-scoring exhibition.

Simpson placed second in the 200 IM in 2:02.15 while Darren Ty '16 was third in a personal best of 2:04.22, and Yang was fifth in 2:05.51. Chris Li '15 swam 2:10.96 in exhibition.

In his first Andover dual meet in two years, Camarda won the 50 Freestyle in a quick 21.60. Alberga was second in 22.49, and David Cao '14 was fourth in 22.97. Jonathan Xue '17 swam 24.01 in exhibition.

In the diving event, rookie Jack Belluche '16 won the event with 171.35 points. Thomas Bakken '14 was third with 129.55 points, and Graham Johns '14 was fourth with 127.35 points.

After the diving event, Andover led Suffield 48 to 30.

Returning to the swimming events, Wynter won the 100 Butterfly in 52.50 while Alex Li was third in 53.32, and Chris Li was fourth in 55.41.

Andover went first and second in the 100 Freestyle with Faller in 48.61 and Camarda in 49.65. Cao was fourth in 50.70, and Richard Zhong '17 was 51.95 in exhibition.

The 500 Freestyle was a different story with Suffield's impressive group of middle-distance swimmers sweeping Andover. Bouscaren was fourth with a 5:05.47; Rossi was fifth with a 5:10.75; and Choi was sixth with a 5:21.78.

Suffield appeared to be building momentum when it won the 200 Freestyle Relay, but Andover was able to place second and third, minimizing the damage. Faller, Alberga, Alex Li, and Cao swam 1:30.22, and Yang, Chris Li, Xue, and Rossi swam 1:33.73--with Rossi splitting 22.91 three minutes after finishing the 500 Freestyle.

In the 100 Backstroke, Wynter won his second event of the day, cruising to a 52.30. Ty was third in a personal best 56.13, and Van Eijk was fifth in 58.25. Zhong swam 58.58 in exhibition.

Simpson's 1:02.07, Xue's 1:05.05, and Yang's 1:05.30 were second, third, and fourth in the 100 Breaststroke. Alberga was 1:10.25 in exhibition.

In the final event of the day, the 400 Freestyle Relay, Faller, Bouscaren, Wynter, and Camarda swam 3:16.12 for the win while Alex Li, Ty, Cao, and Simpson swam 3:22.65 for third.

With this 109-77 victory over a talented squad from Suffield, Andover enters into some much-needed training and returns to competition in January against Loomis.

Peddie

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/7/2013 11:45 AM		Game	Suffied	90-93

Boys' Swimming and Diving Pushes Defending Eastern Champions to the Limit

To begin the 2014 campaign, the Andover Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving Team traveled to Suffield for simultaneous dual meets against Suffield and Peddie. A program with an international reputation, Peddie has dominated Eastern swimming during the last ten years, and the Andover Boys were excited to see how they matched up.

In the meet's first event, Andover's "A" 200 Medley Relay of co-captain Tim Wynter '14, Scott Simpson '14, Alex Li '15, and Michael Camarda '14 set the tone for the season in the opening event by swimming a remarkable 1:36.61, which not only shattered the Suffield pool record but was also the 5th fastest performance in school history and the 12th fastest in New England history. The "B" relay of Charlee Van Eijk '14, Andrew Yang '14, Chris Li '15, and Christian Alberga '17 was fourth in 1:46.20. Andover 8; Peddie 6.

In the 200 Freestyle, co-captain Joe Faller '14 swam an impressively paced 1:45.40 for the win, followed by Marcello Rossi '16 in 1:49.74 for third. Travis Bouscaren '14 swam 1:55.09 for sixth. Andover 17; Peddie 13.

The Peddie assault began in the 200 IM when Patrick Park placed first (1:56.04) and Thomas Ferry placed second (1:58.74). Simpson was third in 2:02.15 while Darren Ty '16 was fourth in a personal best of 2:04.22, and Yang was fifth in 2:05.51. Andover 23; Peddie 23.

No surprise, the 50 Freestyle was extremely close with only seven one-hundredths of a second separating the top three swimmers: Peddie's Joshua Daniel in 21.57, Camarda in 21.60, and Peddie's Sean Han in 21.64. Alberga was fourth in 22.49--just .06 ahead of a Peddie swimmer, and David Cao '14 was sixth in 22.97. Andover 29; Peddie 33

In the diving event, rookie Jack Belluche '16 won the event with 171.35 points. Thomas Bakken '14 was second with 129.55 points, and Graham Johns '14 was third with 127.35 points. Andover 42; Peddie 33

Returning to the swimming events, Peddie's Park swam faster than the New England record to win the 100 Butterfly in a blistering 49.09. Wynter was second in a very fast 52.51 while Alex Li was third in a personal best 53.32, and Chris Li was fifth in 55.41. Andover 50; Peddie 41

Andover went second and third in the 100 Freestyle with Faller in 48.61 and Camarda in 49.65. Cao was sixth in 50.70. Andover 57; Peddie 50

The 500 Freestyle saw Bouscaren place second with a 5:05.47; Rossi was fourth with a 5:10.75; and Choi was fifth with a 5:21.78. Andover 64; Peddie 59

Park led off the Peddie 200 Freestyle Relay in a ridiculously fast 20.56, and Peddie won the event in 1:26.02, the third fastest time in New England history. Faller, Alberga, Alex Li, and Cao swam a respectable 1:30.22 for second, and Yang, Chris Li, Xue, and Rossi swam 1:33.73 for fourth. Andover 68; Peddie 69

In the 100 Backstroke, Wynter won his first event of the day, cruising to a 52.30, just shy of the pool record. Ty was second in a personal best 56.13, and Van Eijk was fourth in 58.25. Andover 80; Peddie 73

The 100 Breaststroke saw another close race. Peddie's Thomas Ferry won in 1:00.70, and Peddie's Jared Fitzgerald out-touched Simpson for second, 1:02.01 to 1:02.07. Jonathan Xue '17 swam 1:05.05 for fifth, and Yang swam 1:05.30 for sixth. Andover 84; Peddie 85

Whichever team won the 400 Freestyle Relay would win the meet. Peddie led off with Park, whose 45.61 created what appeared to be an insurmountable lead, and Andover's "A" relay never recovered, despite a great lead-off split from Faller in 47.93. Bouscaren, Wynter, and Camarda joined to go 3:16.12 for second while Alex Li, Ty, Cao, and Simpson swam 3:22.65 for third. Andover 90; Peddie 93.

While Andover departed the pool with various explanations for its loss to this strong group of swimmers from Peddie, more importantly, the Boys recognize the various opportunities lost in the pool this afternoon. Despite a 13-0 advantage in diving, Andover fell just short of achieving the upset.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/11/2014 10:00 AM	[illegible]	Game	[illegible]	115-70

3 Relays, 6 Records

Despite sporadic training during the holiday season, the members of the Andover Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving Team achieved many of their personal goals today against the Pelicans of Loomis Chaffee. Most impressive, the squad achieved its team goal of breaking all three New England relay records in a single day, a rare, perhaps unprecedented, feat.

Each year, Andover travels to either Choate or Loomis and competes in a short-course meter (SCM) pool for the only time that year. Fortunately today, Andover faced a well-seasoned, well-trained, and well-coached squad from Loomis, a squad that ended up achieving a remarkable 43% personal best times on the day!

Because today was Andover's only meet in SCM, it was this year's only opportunity for the team to break New England records at that distance, and Andover began its assault on the record book in the meet's first event: the 200 Medley Relay. The squad of co-captain Tim Wynter '14 (26.89), Aaron Teo '15 (30.95), co-captain Joe Faller '14 (25.69), and Michael Camarda '14 (23.77) swam 1:47.30, breaking the pool and New England record of 1:47.87, which was set by Andover in 2012. The relay of Charlee Van Eijk '14, Jonathan Xue '17, Alex Li '15, and Christian Alberga '17 placed 2nd in a strong 1:53.27.

Marcello Rossi '16 won the 200 Freestyle in 2:01.59, while Thomas Choi '16 swam 2:07.56 for 3rd, and Richard Zhong '17 swam 2:08.22 for 4th.

In the 200 Individual Medley, Teo placed 2nd in 2:16.71. Andrew Yang '14 was 2:21.23 for 3rd, and Darren Ty '16 was 2:21.46 for 4th.

With three swimmers competing for the final spot on the upcoming 200 Freestyle Relay, Andover placed 1st, 2nd, and 4th in the 50 Freestyle: David Cao '14 in 25.42, Scott Simpson '14 in 25.70, and Alberga in 25.87. Entering the diving event, Andover led Loomis 44-18.

In a tightly contested diving competition, Jack Belluche '16 scored 150.45 points for 2nd, and Kade Call '14 scored 139.10 for 4th.

Faller (59.24) and Li (1:00.15) went 1st and 2nd in the 100 Butterfly, and Travis Bouscaren '14 (56.13), Simpson (56.43), and Alberga (57.15) went 2nd, 3rd, and 5th in the 100 Freestyle.

In the 400 Freestyle, Rossi swam a great 4:20.04 for 2nd place. Choi swam 4:31.77 for 3rd, and Zhong swam 4:36.56 for 5th.

Camarda (24.09), Cao (24.93), Faller (24.15), and Wynter (23.65) broke the pool and New England records in the 200 Freestyle Relay by swimming 1:36.82. Deerfield set the previous standard of 1:37.87 in 2004. Yang, Li, Alberga, and Simpson swam 1:42.13 for 3rd place.

Ty won the 100 Backstroke in 1:02.93, and Van Eijk placed 3rd in 1:05.28. Bouscaren, preparing for the upcoming relay, swam 1:09.81 for 5th. Teo won the 100 Breaststroke in 1:08.78, and Xue placed 3rd in 1:12.89.

Leading off the 400 Freestyle Relay, Faller narrowly missed the New England record in the 100 Freestyle with a 52.86. Bouscaren swam the second leg (55.06), followed by Wynter (52.59), and Camarda (52.61). The team's final time of 3:33.12 broke the previous pool and New England standard of 3:35.09 set by Loomis in 1992. Cao, Simpson, Zhong, and Rossi swam 3:46.88 for 3rd.

Next week, Andover has its only home meet of the season, against NMH.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/18/2014 10:00 AM	H	Game		102-63

School and Pool Record Fall at Home

With gratitude for the small band of intrepid swimmers from NMH who plowed through a snowstorm to reach Andover, the Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving Team was able to host its only home meet of the 2014 season. While Andover's sporadic performances on the day were indicative of heavy, mid-season training, several swimmers achieved seasonal, and even personal, best times, and the relay squad of Michael Camarda '14, David Cao '14, co-captain Joe Faller '14, and co-captain Tim Wynter '14 swam 1:27.41 to break both the pool record, previously held by Exeter, and the school record, previously held by Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10, Stephen Lee-Kramer '09, and Brendan Deveney '09.

The pool of season-best performances among the swimmers and divers was impressive: Christian Alberga '17 (100 Free), Travis Bouscaren '14 (100 Back and 50 Fly), Kade Call '14 (diving), Cao (100 Free), Faller (200 Free), Graham Johns '14 (diving), Marcello Rossi '16 (100 and 200 Free), Scott Simpson '14 (100 and 200 Free), Aaron Teo '15 (200 IM and 100 Breast), Darren Ty '16 (100 Free, 50 Back, and 100 Fly), Charlee Van Eijk '14 (50 and 100 Back), Jonathan Xue '17 (50 Free), Andrew Yang '14 (500 Free), Richard Zhong '17 (50 Free and 50 Back). Strong performances also came from three members of the Junior Varsity squad who participated in today's meet: Nick Faulkner '16, Won Woo Kim '15, and Elliot Sagay '15.

<u>200 Medley Relay</u>

1st Ty (26.1), Teo (28.2), Alex Li '15 (23.8), Faulkner (24.6) 1:42.78

2nd Van Eijk (26.8), Kim (29.3), Chris Li '15 (25.4), Alberga (22.3) 1:43.99

3rd Zhong (27.6), Xue (29.3), Bouscaren (27.0), Sagay (23.1) 1:47.21

(Score 12-2)

<u>200 Freestyle</u>

1st Faller 1:43.95

2nd Rossi 1:49.38

3rd Simpson 1:50.73

(25-5)

<u>200 Individual Medley</u>

1st Teo 2:02.06

2nd Yang 2:07.31

4th C. Li 2:14.96

(37-9)

<u>50 Freestyle</u>

1st Camarda 21.77

2nd Wynter 21.86

3rd Cao 22.99

(50-12)

<u>Diving</u>

1st Call 175.90

2nd Johns 135.90

3rd Bakken 126.90

(63-12)

<u>100 Butterfly</u>

1st A. Li 54.02

2nd Ty 54.44

3rd C. Li 56.21
(76-15)
100 Freestyle
1st Faller 47.97
2nd Wynter 48.14
3rd Camarda 48.66
(89-18)
500 Freestyle
1st Rossi 5:00.67
2nd Yang 5:07.35
3rd Choi 5:15.09
(102-20)
200 Freestyle Relay
1st Camarda (21.8), Cao (22.3), Faller (21.7), Wynter (21.4) 1:27.41 **New Pool and School Record
2nd Sagay (23.8), Xue (23.5), Kim (24.7), Simpson (22.5) 1:34.75
3rd Alberga (23.1), Faulkner (24.5), Zhong (24.5), A. Li (23.2) 1:35.45
(at the start of this event, Andover swam non-scoring exhibition)
100 Backstroke
1st Bouscaren 55.91
2nd Can Eijk 57.64
4th Zhong 59.33
100 Breaststroke
1st Teo 1:01.53
2nd Xue 1:05.23
3rd Kim 1:05.91
400 Freestyle Relay
1st Faller (48.7), Sagay (53.1), Cao (49.4), Bouscaren (50.1) 3:21.54
2nd Wynter (48.8), Zhong (54.8), Alberga (50.2), Simpson (48.6) 3:22.62
3rd Camarda (49.3), Faulkner (56.2), Ty (50.3), Rossi (49.7) 3:25.65
(Final score: 102-63)
Next week, Andover travels to Deerfield to face its formidable squad. Between them, Andover and Deerfield own the last seven New England Championships.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/25/2014 11:30 AM		Game		107-78

Andover Beats Deerfield, 107-78

Today, the winners of the last seven New England Championships met at Deerfield for their annual dual meet. Because Andover did not attend last year's Championships, this was the first meeting between the two full squads in a year. Despite the great mid-season performances of Deerfield--which won seven of nine individual events and two of three relays--Andover came away with a convincing victory, outscoring Deerfield in eight of twelve events and tying in another.

The meet began with the relay of Darren Ty '16 (26.1), Scott Simpson '14 (27.2), Alex Li '15 (23.7), and David Cao '14 (22.2) winning the 200 Medley Relay in 1:39.35, the third fastest squad in New England this year. Charlee Van

Eijk '14 (26.5), Aaron Teo '15 (27.7), Chris Li '15 (24.8), and Christian Alberga '17 (21.9) placed second in 1:41.18, the fifth fastest squad. Particularly impressive were Simpson's and Alberga's splits. Team score: 12-2.

The top two 200 freestylers in New England so far this year faced off in the meet's second event: Deerfield's Matt Hrabchak '15 and Andover's co-captain, Joe Faller '14. At the 50, Hrabchak led 24.3 to 24.5 and at the 100, 51.1 to 51.2. The swimmers were even at the 150, 1:18.0, but Hrabchak managed to pull away at the end to win 1:44.14 to 1:44.77. Marcello Rossi '16 was third in a personal best of 1:48.39, and Travis Bouscaren '14 was fourth in 1:50.18. Swimming non-scoring exhibition, Richard Zhong '17 swam 1:54.22. Team score: 21-9.

In the 200 IM, Deerfield's Miles Smachlo '16, brother of Andover's Alex Smachlo '11, won in a quick 1:56.36, followed by Deerfield's Alan Lam '15 in 1:59.86. Andover got on the board with third, fourth, and fifth: Simpson (2:02.73), Andrew Yang '14 (2:05.14), and Alex Li (2:05.59). Team score: 27-19.

Competing in the first 50 Freestyle of his career, co-captain Tim Wynter '14 placed second in an impressive 21.85, just following Deerfield's versatile Quinn Smith '14, who swam 21.48. Alberga was third in 22.77 and Cao was fifth in 23.12. In non-scoring exhibition, Thomas Choi '16 swam 24.34, and Elliot Sagay '15 swam 24.42. Team score going into the diving: 35-27.

The Andover diving trio of Jack Belluche '16 (185.35 points), Kade Call '14 (161.45), and Graham Johns '14 (161.40) continue to improve under the tutelage of Coach Belinda Canavan and swept the event. Team score: 48-29.

The swimming portion of the competition resumed with Andover continuing to build on its lead. In the 100 Butterfly, Smachlo swam a blistering 51.13, but Andover again outscored Deerfield in an event. Alex Li was second (54.03), Ty was third (54.74), and Chris Li was fourth (55.43). Team score: 57-36.

Faller returned to action in the 100 Freestyle, and this time, he faced Smith. In another great race, Faller was just out-touched, 48.20 to 47.80. Simpson switched events at the last minute and was third in a strong 49.83, and Cao was fourth in 50.02. Jonathan Xue '17 swam 52.19 in non-scoring exhibition. Team score: 66-43.

In the 500 Freestyle, Andover again placed second (Rossi, 4:59.82), third (Teo, 5:00.58), and fourth (Bouscaren, 5:06.65), behind Hrabchak, who won in 4:47.81. Choi swam 5:12.83 in exhibition. Team score: 75-50.

With star sprinter Michael Camarda '14 not swimming in the meet, Andover's 200 Freestyle Relays had to perform particularly well. The squad of Faller (22.4), Wynter (21.0), Cao (22.3), and Alberga (21.9) swam 1:27.87--less than one-half second off the new school record established last Saturday--for second, while Alex Li (23.3), Sagay (23.4), Xue (23.6), and Yang (22.9) swam 1:33.33 for third. Team score: 81-58.

Appropriately, Andover secured the team win in the 100 Backstroke. Wynter cruised to victory in 54.24, with Ty third in 56.81, and Van Eijk fourth in 57.50. Team score: 92-63.

In the 100 Breaststroke, Teo swam 1:01.05 for second; Yang swam 1:04.96 for third; and Xue swam 1:06.81 for fourth. Team score: 101-70.

Faller (48.3), Bouscaren (49.7), Simpson (49.0), and Wynter (47.8) went 3:14.96 in the 400 Freestyle Relay for second, and Alberga (49.4), Ty (51.8), Chris Li (52.0), and Rossi (49.1) went 3:22.52 for third. Final team score: 107-78.

Given the difficulty of the week just completed, in the pool and in the classroom, the Andover Boys were pleased with their performance--24 season-best times--against such strong competition, and they look forward to two more weeks of heavy training before they begin resting for the championship season.

Hopkins

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/1/2014 8:00 AM	[redacted]	Game		96-78

Two New Pool Records

After another challenging week in and out of the pool—with illnesses and injuries plaguing training—as well as the three-hour bus ride to New Haven to face the team from Hopkins, the Andover Boys' Swimming and Diving Team

scored another dominant victory, broke two more pool records—making that seven so far this year—and had several strong, mid-season performances.

In the team competition, Andover dominated from the start, most often sweeping events, and led Hopkins 96-29 after eight of twelve events. From then on, Andover competed non-scoring exhibition.

The meet began with the squad of co-captain Tim Wynter '14 (Kingston, Jamaica), Scott Simpson '14 (Beaconsfield, Quebec), co-captain Joe Faller '14 (North Reading, MA), and Michael Camarda '14 (Laguna Hills, CA) combining for a blistering 1:35.93 in the 200 Medley Relay. This mid-season time shaved more than three seconds off the Hopkins pool record, was the ninth-fastest performance in New England history, and bodes well for Andover as it approaches the Eastern and New England Championship meets. The meet concluded with the same squad swimming 3:13.32 in the 400 Freestyle Relay, establishing another Hopkins pool record.

On 15 February, Andover will face Exeter in its final dual meet of the season. The following week, the team is off to Philadelphia for the 114th annual Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships—historically, the fastest high-school meet in the nation—and one week later, the team will conclude its season at the New England Championships at the Hotchkiss School.

<u>200 Medley Relay</u>

1st Wynter, Simpson, Faller, Camarda 1:35.93 (New Pool Record)

2nd Charlee Van Eijk '14 (Amsterdam, The Netherlands), Aaron Teo '15 (Singapore), Alex Li '15 (Riverside, CT), Travis Bouscaren '14 (Cambridge, MA) 1:40.00

3rd Richard Zhong '17 (Andover, MA), Jonathan Xue '17 (Andover, MA), Chris Li '15 (Riverside, CT), Marcello Rossi '16 (Brussels, Belguim) 1:45.42

<u>200 Freestyle</u>

1st Simpson 1:49.26

2nd Bouscaren 1:52.60

4th Zhong 1:56.51

<u>200 Individual Medley</u>

1st Teo 2:01.54

2nd Andrew Yang '14 (Taipei, Taiwan) 2:05.73

3rd Chris Li 2:12.86

<u>50 Freestyle</u>

1st Camarda 22.14

2nd Christian Alberga '17 (Kingston, Jamaica) 23.05

4th David Cao '14 (Tallahassee, FL) 23.30

<u>Diving</u>

1st Graham Johns '14 (Glen Ridge, NJ) 177.15

2nd Jack Belluche '16 (Andover, MA) 173.31

3rd Kade Call '14 (Haverhill, MA) 164.45

<u>100 Butterfly</u>

1st Wynter 54.79

2nd Alex Li 55.47

3rd David Cho '14 (Seoul, Korea) 56.76

<u>100 Freestyle</u>

1st Rossi 59.42

3rd Cao 50.13

4th Van Eijk 51.91

<u>500 Freestyle</u>

1st Teo 4:56.77

2nd Thomas Choi '16 (Singapore) 5:08.37

Team Score: 96-29

<u>200 Freestyle Relay</u>

1st Faller, Alberga, Wynter, Camarda 1:28.11

2nd Rossi, Chris Li, Yang, Bouscaren 1:32.16
3rd Simpson, Cho, Alex Li, Cao 1:32.95
100 Backstroke
2nd Faller 56.85
3rd Van Eijk 57.49
4th Zhong 57.87
100 Breaststroke
1st Yang 1:04.25
2nd Xue 1:07.89
4th Alberga 1:09.67
400 Freestyle Relay
1st Faller, Camarda, Simpson, Wynter 3:13.32 (New Pool Record)
2nd Alex Li, Cao, Rossi, Bouscaren 3:22.41
3rd Yang, Chris Li, Choi, Teo 3:31.70

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/15/2014 9:00 AM	[redacted]	Game		131-53

Boys' Swimming and Diving Breaks Three More Records

Phillips Academy Breaks Three More Records

Concludes Regular Season with 131-53 Victory over Phillips Exeter

For its final dual-meet of the 2014 season, the Phillips Academy (Andover) Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving team traveled to Exeter for the annual match-up and performed well, achieving many season and personal bests while also racking up a 131-41 margin before swimming non-scoring exhibition in the final relay.

With Andover in the middle of its taper for next week's Eastern Championships, performances were strong and showed that the boys are on the right track: most have early but not yet closing speed.

In the day's first event, co-captain Tim Wynter '14 (23.77), Scott Simpson '14 (27.60), Alex Li '15 (23.68), and Michael Camarda '14 (21.34) cruised to a fast 1:36.39, just missing the meet record established by Andover in 2012. Darren Ty '16 (26.63), Aaron Teo '15 (27.83), Chris Li '15 (24.64), and Christian Alberga '17 (22.66) were second in 1:41.76.

Co-captain Joe Faller '14 won the 200 Freestyle in 1:44.92 and was followed by Marcello Rossi '16 in a best time of 1:46.90, and Travis Bouscaren '14 was third in 1:47.70. Thomas Choi '16 had a best time of 1:54.57 swimming in exhibition.

Teo, Simpson, and Andrew Yang '14 swept the 200 Individual Medley: 2:01.48, 2:01.56, and 2:03.40, respectively, while Darren Ty '16 swam 2:11.53 in exhibition. Ninth-grader Alberga gained the first victory of his career by swimming 22.73 in the 50 Freestyle, and he was followed by David Cao '14 (23.02) in second and Charlee Van Eijk '14 (23.24) in fourth.

Andover's diving quartet continues to improve, with Jack Belluche '16 scoring an impressive 248.05 points for the win followed by Kade Call '14 with 188.70 for third, Graham Johns '14 with 173.15 for fourth, and Thomas Bakken '14 with 145.75 for seventh.

As the meet returned to swimming, Andover led Exeter 61-17.

Wynter demonstrated great speed by going out in a blistering 23.65 in the 100 Butterfly, which he won in 51.85. Alex Li was second in 54.34, and Chris Li was third in 55.91.

In the 100 Freestyle, Michael Camarda tied the meet record of 47.56 held by both Andover's Curtis Hon '10 and Exeter's Avery Reavill '12. Faller was second in 47.72, and Rossi was third in 49.29.

Bouscaren showed that he is returning to form in the 500 Freestyle, winning in 4:54.34. Choi was third in 5:11.50, and Richard Zhong '17 was fourth in 5:16.42. Jonathan Xue '17 swam 5:22.42 in exhibition.

Entering the 200 Freestyle Relay, Andover led Exeter 98-28 and then had the best performance of the day. The squad of Michael Camarda '14 (21.90), Christian Alberga '17 (21.70), Scott Simpson '14 (21.93), and Joe Faller '14 (21.79) swam 1:27.32, breaking the meet record, previously held by Exeter in 1:27.97, as well as the school record, which was established by Camarda, Cao, Faller, Wynter last month in 1:27.41. Alex Li (23.32), Yang (22.76), Rossi (22.57), and Cao (22.57) swam 1:31.20 for second. And impressively, the Diving Relay of Johns, Bakken, Call, and Belluche swam 1:58.35 in exhibition.

Wynter cruised to a 54.49 win in the 100 Backstroke with Van Eijk (57.61), and Zhong (58.41) placing fourth and fifth. Teo captured the 100 Breaststroke in 1:01.71. Ty was second on 1:04.74, and Xue was fourth in 1:06.06. Chris Li swam 1:09.94.

In the final event of the day, Wynter (47.74), Simpson (48.11), Faller (48.25), and Camarda (48.23) swam 3:12.33 for the fastest time in the 400 Freestyle Relay. Bouscaren (49.51), Cao (49.90), Alberga (49.31), and Rossi (48.92) had the second fastest in 3:17.64—an extraordinary "B" relay!—and Choi (53.24), Zhong (53.79), Alex Li (51.72) and Yang (51.54) had the fourth in 3:30.29.

With that, Andover concluded another successful dual-meet season, with six wins and a close loss to Peddie. Since 2005, Andover's dual-meet record is 64-5, and the program is 64-1 against New England competition.

On Thursday, Andover departs for Philadelphia and the 114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships where the team will face national powerhouses such as Peddie, Mercersburg, Germantown, Loyola Blakefield, Malvern Prep, and Georgetown Prep, the latter with Carsten Vissering, who established a new National Record just last week in the 100 Breaststroke (53.49), which helps put everything in perspective.

You may watch Easterns live via the website of *Swimming World* magazine: (http://tv.swimmingworldmagazine.com/events/2013-eastern-interscholastic-swimming-and-diving-championships).

The following week, Andover travels to the Hotchkiss School for the New England Championships where the squad hopes to again perform well.

114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/21/2014 3:00 AM		Game	Philadelphia, PA	

6 Records (so far) at Eastern Championships

The 102nd iteration of the Phillips Academy Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving Team traveled to Philadelphia this week for the 114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships. Historically, more national records have been established at Easterns than at any other meet in the country, and Andover is facing internationally recognized powerhouses such as Mercersburg, Germantown, and Peddie.

So far, the squad has established 4 new School and 2 new New England Records, in addition to achieving many season and personal best times.

When available, links to watch specific races are provided below.

Day 1: Preliminaries

200 Medley Relays

Darren Ty '16 (26.1)

Aaron Teo '15 (27.3)

Alex Li '15 (23.3)

Andrew Yang '14 (22.3)

1:39.20 **non-scoring B relay but would have placed 8th overall!

Tim Wynter '14 (23.0) watch
Scott Simpson '14 (26.1)
Joe Faller '14 (22.7)
Michael Camarda '14 (20.8)
1:32.80 **top seed / School and New England Records / All-American
(Previous School Record 1:33.97 by Derrick Choi '12, Didi Peng '12, Wynter, Camarda 2012)
(Previous New England Record 1:33.85 by Deerfield 2013)
200 Freestyle
Joe Faller watch
1:41.78 **4th seed / best time
Marcello Rossi '16
1:45.25 **14th seed / best time
Travis Bouscaren '14
1:46.26 **18th seed / season best
200 Individual Medley
Scott Simpson watch
1:56.86 **14th seed / season best
Andrew Yang watch
1:58.83 **20th place / personal best
Aaron Teo watch
1:59.42 **23rd place / season best
Alex Li watch
2:05.45 **34th place / personal best
50 Freestyle
Michael Camarda watch
21.22 **top seed / School Record / season best
(Previous School Record 21.27 by TJ Durkin 1999)
David Cao watch
22.38 **15th seed / personal best
Christian Alberga watch
22.54 **20th place
100 Butterfly
Tim Wynter watch
50.66 **2nd seed / season best
Alex Li watch
53.02 **9th seed / season best
Darren Ty watch
54.15 **17th seed / personal best
Chris Li '15 watch
55.12 **22nd place / personal best
David Cho '14 watch
55.30 **24th place / personal best
200 Freestyle Relays
Charlee Van Eijk '14 (22.9) (personal best) watch
Darren Ty (23.5)
Alex Li (22.9)
Andrew Yang (21.8)
1:31.27 **non-scoring B relay but would have placed 16th overall!
Christian Alberga (22.4) (personal best) watch
Marcello Rossi (21.7)

Travis Bouscaren (21.8)
David Cao (22.0)
1:28.05 **9th seed
Friday Evening Finals
Diving
Graham Johns '14
301.05 **13th place
Jack Belluche '16
290.60 **15th place
Kade Call '14
259.45 **17th place
200 Medley Relay
Tim Wynter (22.8) watch
Scott Simpson (26.2)
Joe Faller (22.4)
Michael Camarda (20.3)
1:31.86 **1st place / School and New England Records / All-American
(Previous Records 1:32.80 by Andover in prelims)
200 Freestyle
Joe Faller watch
1:42.56 **6th place
Marcello Rossi watch
1:45.35 **17th place
Travis Bouscaren watch
1:46.65 **18th place
200 Individual Medley
Scott Simpson watch
1:57.56 **17th place
50 Freestyle
Michael Camarda watch
21.16 **2nd place / School Record / season best
(Previous Record by Michael Camarda in prelims)
David Cao watch
22.58 **17th place
100 Butterfly
Tim Wynter watch
49.76 **2nd place / season best
Alex Li watch
53.15 **11th place
Darren Ty watch
53.60 **15th place / personal best
200 Freestyle Relay
David Cao (22.66) watch
Marcello Rossi (21.7)
Andrew Yang (22.0)
Travis Bouscaren (21.9)
1:28.37 **9th place

114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/22/2014 8:00 AM		Championship	Philadelphia, PA	4th Place: 292 Points

Andover Narrowly Misses Third Place at Easterns

The second day of the 114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships began with Andover firmly in 5th place behind Peddie, Loyola Blakefield, Malvern Prep, and the Haverford School. The morning preliminaries went well for Andover, though, and the team successfully positioned itself for a run at 3rdplace. With several lead changes throughout the evening finals, Andover found itself down by 6 points to Malvern Prep going into the final event, the 400 Freestyle Relay. To conclude the meet in 3rdplace, Andover needed to win the relay. The relay of co-captain Joe Faller '14, Scott Simpson '14, Michael Camarda '14, and co-captain Tim Wynter '14 fell just short of the relay from Peddie, which gave Malvern Prep a 2-point advantage in the final team standings.

Certainly, a highlight of the day was Wynter's 100 Backstroke, where he swam 49.09, breaking the 17-year-old Eastern record in the event. Tim was the only swimmer at the meet to break one of these prestigious marks, and he became the fastest backstroker in the 114-year history of the Eastern Championships. In the finals, Wynter broke his own Eastern Record by swimming 49.08. You may watch *Swimming World*'s interview with Tim here. When available, links to watch specific races are provided below.

Day 2: Preliminaries

100 Freestyle

Michael Camarda watch

46.73 **4th seed / season best

Joe Faller watch

46.88 **6th seed / season best

Charlee Van Eijk watch

48.55 **16th seed / personal best **Charlee dropped more than 3 seconds!

Christian Alberga watch

49.05 **21st place / personal best

David Cao watch

49.14 **23rd place

David Cho watch

51.90 **62nd place

500 Freestyle

Marcello Rossi watch

4:47.64 **17th seed / personal best

Travis Bouscaren watch

4:56.13 **22nd place

100 Backstroke

Tim Wynter watch

49.09 **top seed / Eastern Record / All-American / season best

(Previous Record by Tyler Townsend in 1997)

Charlee Van Eijk watch

54.25 **15th seed / personal best

Darren Ty watch

56.47 **25th place

100 Breaststroke

Aaron Teo watch

59.59 **11th seed / season best

Scott Simpson watch
59.96 **12th seed / personal best
59.34 **swim-off for the 12th seed / personal best
Andrew Yang watch
1:01.85 **25th place / personal best
Chris Li
1:06.51 **46th place / personal best
400 Freestyle Relays
Charlee Van Eijk (48.7) watch(lane 2 from top of screen)
David Cao (49.0)
Christian Alberga (47.8)
Travis Bouscaren (48.0)
3:13.74 **non-scoring B relay but would have placed 8th overall!
Marcello Rossi (47.9) watch(lane 3 from top of screen)
Joe Faller (46.3)
Tim Wynter (45.1)
Michael Camarda (45.8)
3:05.28 **top seed / New School and New England Records / All-American
(Previous school record of 3:06.65 by Faller, Jun Oh '12, Camarda, and Wynter 2012)
(Previous New England record of 3:06.13 by Exeter 2012)
Day 2: Finals
100 Freestyle
Michael Camarda watch
46.44 **4th place / season best
Joe Faller watch
47.25 **6th place
Charlee Van Eijk watch
48.72 **17th place
500 Freestyle
Marcello Rossi watch
4:49.11 **16th place
100 Backstroke
Tim Wynter watch
49.08 **1st place / Eastern Record / All-American / season best
(Previous Record by Tim Wynter in prelims)
Charlee Van Eijk watch
54.68 **16th place
100 Breaststroke
Scott Simpson watch
59.23 **11th place / personal best
Aaron Teo watch
59.56 **12th place / season best
400 Freestyle Relay
Joe Faller (47.1) watch
Scott Simpson (46.9)
Michael Camarda (45.7)
Tim Wynter (45.5)
3:05.37 **2nd place
Team Standings
Loyola Blakefield 375

Peddie 367.5
Malvern Prep 296
Andover 294
Haverford 276.5
Georgetown Prep 238
Deerfield 166
Penn Charter 139
Episcopal 133
Lawrenceville 127
Ms. St Joe 100
Norfolk 98
Suffield 93
Germantown 79
Mercersburg 56
Next week, the team is off to Hotchkiss for the New England Championships.

New England Championships

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
3/2/2014 4:00 PM		Championship		442 Points / Suffield 2nd with 341

Boys' Swimming and Diving Wins New England Championship

A week after narrowly missing third place at the Eastern Championships, the 102nd iteration of the Andover Boys' Swimming and Diving Team descended upon the Hotchkiss pool for the New England Championships this weekend. This marked Andover's first appearance at the meet since 2012.

Over the course of two days, Andover achieved many remarkable feats: all 19 swimmers and all 3 divers achieved a personal best; 30 of 31 individual performances were in position to score in the Top 16; co-captain Tim Wynter '14 was the only swimmer at the meet to be part of establishing 3 New England Records; Michael Camarda '14 was the only swimmer at the meet to earn Gold in each of his 4 races; and the team scored a remarkable 442 points—this after 7 of those 31 individual performances had to be declared non-scoring exhibition under recent New England rule changes allowing for only 3, rather than 4, point scorers in each event. Even so, this was among the most dominating team performances—Suffield was 2nd with 341 points, Deerfield 3rd with 331 points, and Exeter 4thwith 286 points—in New England history, and the meet itself was the fastest in New England history.

After fantastic performances during Saturday's preliminary rounds—results interspersed below—Sunday's championship finals began with Diving. Andover's divers performed admirably in completing 11 rather than the usual 6 dives.

Diving

Jack Belluche '16 (Andover, MA)
326.10 points / 3rd place
Graham Johns '14 (Glen Ridge, NJ)
278.75 points / 7th place
Kade Call '14 (Haverhill, MA)
270.75 points / 9th place

200 Medley Relay

Throughout the season, and particularly during the last week, Andover considered its relay strategy. Having taken nearly 2 seconds off the New England record in the 200 Medley Relay and nearly 1 second off the New England record in the 400 Freestyle Relay last weekend, Andover debated whether to try its hand at the 200 Freestyle

Relay, where the record stood at a quick 1:24.14. Ultimately, the team decided to forgo the attempt to try to hold all 3 New England relay records—Deerfield and Suffield were both also looking at the New England record—and instead decided to try to make its current records as fast as possible, recognizing there would be rewards and regrets regardless of the choice.

Having committed to the 200 Medley Relay, the squad of Tim Wynter '14 (Kingston, Jamaica), Scott Simpson '14 (Beaconsfield, Quebec), co-captain Joe Faller '14 (North Reading, MA), and Michael Camarda '14 (Laguna Hills, CA) sprinted to new records, despite the insertion of the 90-minute diving competition between the end of swimming warm-ups and the start of the swimming races.

Tim Wynter (22.75)
Scott Simpson (25.85)
Joe Faller (22.87)
Michael Camarda (20.35)
1:31.82
New England, School, and Pool Records / All-American / Performance would have placed 9th in the U. S. last year among all high schools, public and private / Before last weekend, the New England Record stood at 1:33.85
1st Place (Loomis was 2nd in 1:35.84)

Non-Scoring Exhibition
Richard Zhong '17 (Andover, MA) (25.77)
Jonathan Xue '17 (Andover, MA) (29.02)
David Cho '14 (Seoul, Korea) (24.20)
Charlee Van Eijk '14 (Amsterdam, The Netherlands) (21.91)
1:40.90
6th fastest performance at the meet

<u>200 Freestyle</u>

In the 200 Freestyle, which required a 1:44.94 to qualify for the top 8, Deerfield's Matt Hrabchack '15 and Exeter's Joe Shepley '14 staged a great race and swam 1:39.87 and 1:39.96, respectively. For Andover, Faller solidified his spot as the program's 3rd fastest performer ever in the event—behind only Jun Oh '12 and David Mainen '89—while Travis Bouscaren '14 (Cambridge, MA) became the 9th fastest and Marcello Rossi '16 (Brussels, Belgium) became the 11th.

Joe Faller
1:42.45 (1:42.03 prelims)
3rd place
Marcello Rossi
1:44.89
7th place
Travis Bouscaren
1:45.96 (1:44.41 prelims)
8th place
Thomas Choi '16 (Singapore)
1:48.78
14th fastest performance at the meet

<u>200 Individual Medley</u>

To qualify for the top 8 in the 200 Individual Medley, swimmers had to go 1:58.95. In the finals, Deerfield's Quinn Smith '14 just missed the New England Record in 1:49.14 and Deerfield's Miles Smachlo '16 (brother of Andover's Alex Smachlo '11) swam 1:50.98. For Andover, Simpson's time in the preliminaries made him the 3rd fastest performer in Andover history behind only Brian Fiske '03 and Brendan Deveney '09. Darren Ty '16 (North Andover, MA) became the 9th fastest performer in school history, and Andrew Yang '14 (Taipei, Taiwan) became the 12th.

Scott Simpson
1:55.55 (1:54.97 prelims)
6th place

Andrew Yang
2:01.15 (1:58.69 prelims)
8th place
Darren Ty
1:57.97
9th place
Alex Li '15 (Riverside, CT)
2:04.56
(16th fastest performance at the meet)

50 Freestyle

Andover's strength over the last ten years never included great depth at the 50 Freestyle, until this year. Camarda, David Cao '14 (Tallahassee, FL), Christian Alberga'17 (Kingston, Jamaica), and Van Eijk were the 1st, 6th (tied), and 9th fastest swimmers in the preliminaries with Camarda having broken his own school record set just yesterday in 20.96 and Alberga having broken Camarda's Junior record in 22.10 (Camarda was a 22.38 as a 9th-grader). Cao is now tied for 12th on Andover's All-Time list while Alberga is already 17th. Camarda is the 5th fastest performer in New England history.

Michael Camarda
20.85
School Record (both prelims and finals) / All-American / Performance would have placed 58th in the U. S. last year among all high schools, public and private
1st place
David Cao
22.04
5th place
Christian Alberga
22.15 (22.10 prelims)
Junior Record
7th place
Charlee Van Eijk
22.28
(9th fastest performance at the meet)

100 Butterfly

In the preliminaries, the 3-time defending 100 Butterfly champion from Exeter, Joe Shepley '14, broke his own New England record of 49.48 by swimming 49.09. This set up a remarkable final among Shepley, Deerfield's Smachlo, and Andover's Wynter. At the 50, Smachlo had the lead in 22.91, and Shepley and Wynter were tied at 23.11. At the 75, all three were tied, but Wynter had a bit of trouble on his breakout, and Shepley went on to win in 49.05 followed by Smachlo in 49.10. Wynter's performance was good enough to break his own School Record and to establish himself as the 4th fastest performer in New England history. Alex Li's time in the preliminaries made him the 3rd fastest performer in school history, behind only Wynter and Rob Hill '91.

Tim Wynter
49.68
School Record / All-American / Performance would have placed 59th in the U. S. last year among all high schools, public and private
3rd place
Alex Li
52.50 (52.34 prelims)
5th place
Chris Li '15 (Riverside, CT)
54.81
11th place

David Cho '14
55.36
14th fastest performance at the meet

100 Freestyle

The 100 Freestyle may have been Andover's strongest event. Coming out of the morning preliminaries, Camarda was seeded 2nd, Faller 4th, Simpson 5th, and Alberga 7th. Under the rules of the meet, Alberga was scratched from finals, but his 47.59 not only wrecked Camarda's Junior record of 48.71 but also placed 11th on Andover's all-time list. Camarda is the 2nd fastest performer in Andover history, behind only Mainen, while Faller is 3rd, and Simpson is 6th.

Michael Camarda
46.53
1st place
Joe Faller
46.93
4th place
Scott Simpson
47.06 (47.01 prelims)
5th place
Christian Alberga
47.59
Junior Record
7th fastest performance at the meet

500 Freestyle

At the start of the season, the 500 Freestyle appeared to be Andover's Achilles heel, with only Bouscaren and Choi having significant experience at the distance. Fortunately, what began as a weakness concluded as a strength, with Andover having 4 of the top 10 performances at the championships. At the top end of the event, Deerfield's Hrabchak '15 and Suffield's Jack Scobee '17 had an epic race, tied at the 400 with Scobee accelerating away to win in 4:31.77 to 4:33.07. For Andover, Bouscaren retains his spot as the 4th fastest swimmer in the event in school history. Rossi is 7th on the all-time list, and Teo is 15th.

Marcello Rossi
4:51.31
6th place
Aaron Teo
4:53.66
7th place
Travis Bouscaren
4:53.99
8th place
Thomas Choi
4:57.17
10th fastest performance at the meet

200 Freestyle Relay

The 200 Freestyle Relay saw Deerfield break Exeter's New England record by .01 of a second in 1:24.13 upon Quinn Smith's opening split of 20.70. For Andover, the event saw a new School Record and an impressive 4th place.

David Cao (22.06)
Christian Alberga (21.51)
Marcello Rossi (21.88)
Travis Bouscaren (21.60)
1:27.05
School Record

4th place
Alex Li (22.78)
Chris Li (22.78)
Jonathan Xue (22.87)
David Cho (22.67)
1:31.10
9th fastest performance at the meet

100 Backstroke

Having held the New England record for the last two years in the 100 Backstroke in 49.06 and having set the Eastern record last week in 49.08, Wynter entered the preliminaries not quite knowing what to expect. What we all got to see was one of the great swims in the history of the meet, a 48.73! In the finals, Wynter, the consummate team player, opted to rest a bit for the upcoming 400 Freestyle Relay rather than focus on lowering his own individual record in the Back. In the preliminaries, Zhong put forth the 12th fastest performance in school history, which bumped Van Eijk down to 13thand Ty to 16th.

Tim Wynter
50.43 (48.73 prelims)
New England, School, and Pool Records / All-American / Performance would have placed 14th in the U. S. last year among all high schools, public and private
1st place
Charlee Van Eijk
54.65
10th place
Richard Zhong
54.68 (54.30 in prelims)
11th place
Darren Ty
54.86
12th fastest performance at the meet

100 Breaststroke

The 100 Breaststroke saw another outstanding performance from Deerfield's Quinn Smith, a 56.44, just off the New England record, and saw the debut of Exeter's Nick du Pont, who was until recently only a manager of the team and ended up getting 2nd in New England! On the Andover side, Teo's preliminary swim of 58.92 made him the 3rd fastest performer in school history behind only Fiske and Rush Taylor '96. Yang concludes his career 14th on the all-time list, and Won Woo Kim '15 (Seoul, Korea), who until last weekend was a member of the Junior Varsity team, ends the season 17th on the all-time list.

Aaron Teo
59.29 (58.92 prelims)
4th place
Andrew Yang
1:01.85
11th place
Won Woo Kim
1:03.21 (1:02.64 prelims)
Jonathan Xue
1:03.70
18th fastest performance at the meet

400 Freestyle Relay

Before the championship final of the 400 Freestyle Relay, the Andover "B" relay of Cao, Alberga, Rossi, and Bouscaren—having just broken the School Record in the 200 Freestyle Relay—swam a remarkable 3:12.97, the 7thfastest performance in Andover history. Until 2009, the School record stood at 3:14.05.

David Cao (48.65)
Christian Alberga (47.68)
Marcello Rossi (48.47)
Travis Bouscaren (48.17)
3:12.97
6th fastest performance at the meet
Although Andover's team victory had been assured early in the competition, the meet seemed to come down to the finals of the 400 Freestyle Relay. Both Andover and Deerfield came to the event expecting to not only win but to also post a remarkably fast New England record, with Andover knowing that its New England record of 3:05.28 set last week was unsatisfying, and Deerfield seeing Andover's standard and knowing it could surpass it. What transpired in the pool was simply a fabulous race with each team pushing the other to perform its absolute best.

Andover			Deerfield
Joe Faller	22.34	21.71	
46.67	**44.97**		Quinn Smith
Scott Simpson	**1:08.53**	**1:06.76**	Miles Smachlo
		(21.86) (21.78)	
1:32.73	**1:31.10**		
		(46.06) (46.13)	
Michael Camarda	**1:54.20**	**1:53.31**	Alan Lam '15
		(21.47) (22.21)	
2:17.96	**2:18.14**		
		(45.23) (47.04)	
Tim Wynter	**2:39.34**	**2:39.56**	Matt Hrabchak
		(21.38) (21.42)	
3:03.27	**3:03.54**		
(45.31)	(45.40)		

To clarify, that opening split from Quinn Smith is no typo. Quinn crushed the New England record in the 100 Freestyle in 44.97. The previous record was 45.61. (Exeter's Shepley was also under the previous record in 45.39). Yet, despite that phenomenal opening leg as well as Deerfield's other outstanding performances, Andover was able to close the gap and establish a new standard in New England swimming:
3:03.27
New England, School, and Pool Records / All-American / Performance would have placed 11th in the U. S. last year among all high schools, public and private / Before last weekend, the New England Record stood at 3:06.13
1st Place
With that conclusion to the meet, the 2014 Andover Boys' Swimming and Diving Team solidified its place among the very best high-school teams in the history of the Northeast, considering both public and private schools, as well as among the legendary teams in Andover's illustrious swimming and diving history, including: 1960, 1962, and 1971, although it is really tough to top 1948.

Boys Seek Sixth Undefeated Season, Culminating in Double Championships

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In the first race of the season, Andover's "A" 200 Medley Relay of Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14, Scott Simpson '14, Alex Li '15 and Michael Camarda '14 shattered the Suffield pool record with a 1:36.61 finish, the fifth fastest performance in Andover's school history and the 12th fastest in New England history.

Led by Co-Captains Joe Faller '14 and Wynter, as well as nine other returning Seniors, Andover Boys Swimming is striving to claim its sixth consecutive undefeated season in the New England Prep School Swimming Association (NEPSSA).

"Our team is very top heavy this year with 11 Seniors. Therefore, over half of our team has experience competing at the varsity level and pretty much all of our speed from last year is returning. All of this experience is something that none of the other teams in the league have and will definitely set us apart. We are looking to having one of our best seasons yet," said Faller.

On Saturday, Andover fell 90-93 to Peddie, the defending Eastern Champions, but beat Suffield, last year's New England Championship runner-up, 109-77 in a dual-meet. Although Andover suffered its first loss since 2009, Peddie is not in NEPSSA and, therefore, the loss will not affect Andover's undefeated streak.

"Losing by such a small margin to Peddie is just another incentive for us to continue training hard as we prepare for Eastern's and New England's at the end of February," said Simpson.

Andover boasts three additions to its swimming roster this season: Christian Alberga '17, Jonathan Xue '17 and Richard Zhong '17.

"Richard is really good at backstroke, Jonathan is one of the best on the team at breaststroke, and Christian is probably one of the best sprint freestylers that the Andover Swimming program has ever had," said Faller.

After forgoing the New England Championships last year in favor of the Eastern Championships for the first time in 40 years to promote more team participation, Andover plans to return to both this season. Backed by such a strong lineup of Seniors and promising newcomers, Andover has high hopes to prove its dominance in both arenas.

"I am most excited to compete at both New Englands and Easterns. This is the first year our program will be competing at both meets and the whole team is pumped for that opportunity," said Wynter.

"My short term goals right now are to encourage the team and get everyone excited to race at the dual meets, and to have 100 percent personal best times at our championship meets," he added.

"I want to be able to look back at this year and say, 'Wow, that was one awesome season,'" said Simpson.

Andover Diving was also victorious on Saturday, beating Peddie 13-0. Jack Belluche '16 won the event with 171.35 points. Thomas Bakken '14 came in second with 129.55 points and Graham Johns '14 came in third with 127.35 points to help Andover claim the win.

"Executing the front two and a half flip really helped me get the win," said Belluche, "The team did very well collectively, especially since it was only our first meet, and I think that we have the potential to do very well this year.

Andover will take on Loomis on January 11.

Boys Tri-Umphant Over Loomis

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Andover	115
Loomis	70

Out of breath, Michael Camarda '14 looked up at the scoreboard, an almost instinctual reaction for him. His representing Andover Boys Swimming in the last leg of the 200 Medley relay was nothing new; he'd felt the tiled pool wall countless times before. This time was different. The scoreboard flashed 1:47:30, beating the previous record of 1:47:87, set by Andover in 2012. This was only the first of three records the team would break during last Saturday's meet.

Camarda was preceded in the relay by Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14, Aaron Teo '15 and Co-Captain Joe Faller '14.

The team made a splash at Loomis on Saturday, winning the meet 115-70 and breaking two other New England records in the 200 and 400 Freestyle Relays.

"[Breaking the three records] was an absolutely amazing feeling, and each of the four guys on every relay team gave every ounce of what they had to make it possible," said Faller.

The two Co-Captains and Camarda were present on all three of the record breaking relay teams while the fourth swimmer changed each time.

Faller continued, "It was amazing to see all the hard work that we put in over the past few weeks paying off. We left the meet with a new sense of confidence and motivation."

In the 200 Freestyle Relay, Camarda, David Cao '14, Faller and Wynter swam a striking 1:36.82, breaking the previous record of 1:37.87 set by Deerfield in 2004.

Andover's success continued to the the final event of the meet, the 400 Freestyle Relay, in which Faller, Travis Bouscaren '14, Wynter and Camarda finished with a time of 3:33.12, blowing by Loomis's previous New England record of 3:35.09, which dates back to 1992.

"I was very fortunate to be a part of the 400 freestyle relay and get a New England record. [My teammates] Joe Faller, Tim Wynter and Michael Camarda really stood out in the meet by leading all three relays to victory," said Bouscaren.

In addition to the three standout relay performances, many swimmers for Andover set personal best times in their individual races.

"I felt so proud to be a part of not only such a strong team, but one that was so close and supportive. We all cheered for our teammates in their individual races, whether they were record breakers or not," said Marcello Rossi '16, who won the 200 Freestyle with a time of 2:01.59.

Jonathan Xue '17 said, "The meet showed me how much I have improved from the beginning of the season, and also how much I need to improve in order to reach my goal times at the end of the season. [Joining the Andover swim team] has been a learning experience for me. The older guys have so much experience and they have given me really valuable advice. They are all great people to look up to."

Xue placed 3rd in the 100 Breaststroke with a time of 1:12.89.

A notoriously strong team, Loomis fired back against Andover's overwhelming victories with 43 percent of its team setting personal best times in the meet.

In the diving competition, Jack Belluche '16 came in second place with a score of 150.45 and Kade Call '14 came in fourth place with a score of 139.10.

"This meet was easily some of the fastest swimming the entire team has done this early in the season, and it's foreshadowing something amazing by championships. With what I've seen from every member of the team, in practice and in meets, this could be the fastest year that Andover Boys Swimming has had in a long time," said Faller.

Andover looks to continue its success against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Saturday in its only home meet of the season. Following its record-breaking performances in the Loomis meet, Andover is looking forward to the rest of the season with high expectations. 1/17/14

Boys Swimming Claims Three Records

In its first league meet of the season, Andover Boys Swimming blew Loomis out of the water with three shattered New England Records. Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14, Aaron Teo '15, Co-Captain Joe Faller '14, Michael Camarda '14, David Cao '14 and Travis Bouscaren '14 all boast the honor of having set a new record.

What does it take to be a record breaker?

Faller: *You have to want to be the very best, that no one ever was.*

Teo: *A lot of hard work and effort has to be put into every single practice day in day out.*

Best way to celebrate after a broken record?

Faller: *Stretch out, recover, and then do it again. Three times.*

Teo: *Definitely a bunch of fist pumping, lots of high fives and a ton of shouting at one another.*

What was the first thought that crossed your mind?

Faller: *That's it. They're writing our names in the history books.*

Cao: *It's awesome having a record, knowing that your name will stay at this school after you graduate is really something.*

What were you thinking as you cheered on your teammates?

Faller: *If you screw this up, I will end you. But seriously dude, you're amazing. We're all amazing.*

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Chris Li '15 placed third in the 100-Yard Fly.

Powerhouse Team Holds Pool Record, School Record and NE Record in 200 Free

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As Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14 tapped the tiled pool wall seven seconds before his competitors, his team burst into cheers; the scoreboard flashed 1:27.41 in bright red lights. As the fourth swimmer in the 200-Yard Freestyle Relay, Wynter's strong finish solidified his relay team's victory and shattered the pool record, previously held by archrival Exeter, as well as the school record from 2010.

The other members of the winning relay team were Michael Camarda '14, David Cao '14 and Co-Captain Joe Faller '14. This was the group's second and third record broken together, after they set the New England record in the 200-Yard Free at Loomis Chaffee just the weekend before.

In addition to Camarda, Cao, Faller and Wynter's tremendous efforts, 12 Andover swimmers posted personal best records in at least one individual event, as Andover Boys Swimming crushed Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) away 102-63 in its first and last home meet of the season on Saturday.

"[Winning the meet] felt great. We all put a lot of effort in our races and reached our goal times. Those who didn't were still close. It was great that we broke a pool record at our only home meet and were close to breaking many others," said Darren Ty '16.

Ty posted personal best times in the 100-Yard Free, 100-Yard Fly and 50-Yard Back.

"When I looked up at the board after each race to see my time, I knew all the hard work and the training at every practice were what brought me to achieve my goals. I couldn't be happier with my performance. I reached my goal times for the meet and felt great after each race," Ty continued.

Richard Zhong '17 said, "I felt relieved when I first realized that I had surpassed my times in the 50-Yard Back and the 50-Yard Free. It showed me that all the time and effort I put into training was not spent in vain, and now gives me other goals to reach for in upcoming meets."

Saturday's victorious meet boosted the team's confidence and solidified its standing as a dominant player in the league as it heads into both the New England Championships and Easterns Championships this season.

"[Saturday's] meet yielded a lot of information that [Assistant] Coach Hugon and I will use to continue preparing the team for our two championship meets. While we like to win in-season dual meets, our focus is always on the long-term," said Head Coach David Fox.

Although NMH did not have a diving team, Andover took advantage of the opportunity to hone in on its dives and accumulate valuable experience. Kade Call '14 came in first with a score of 175.9 points, followed by Graham Johns '14 with 135.9 and Thomas Bakken '14 with 126.9.

"I recently began switching all of my dives from the tuck position to the pike position, which I seem to excel in," said Johns. "My best dive is arguably my inward dive pike, with my front 1.5 somersault pike coming in at a close second."

"This was the first meet in which I performed these dives, and hopefully in the next meet I will also be able to nail my front 1 somersault 1 twist in the free position, which is my hardest dive with a degree of difficulty of 1.9," continued Johns.

With two consecutive uncontested victories and a perfect in-league record under its belt, Andover will continue to train hard this week in preparation for its meet against Deerfield this Saturday. Between the two teams, Andover and Deerfield have claimed the past seven New England Championships.

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Boys Topple Reigning New England Champions

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Andover	107
Deerfield	78

David Cao '14 cruised to the wall, lifted his head up from the water and looked at the scoreboard to see the time 1:39.35 illuminating before his eyes. This time marked the third fastest time for the 200-Yard Medley Relay in New England this year.

Cao was the fourth swimmer in the 200-Yard Medley Relay. Charlee Van Eijk '14, Aaron Teo '15 and Christian Alberga '17 preceded Cao in the race. It was the first event in Andover Boys Swimming's meet this past Saturday against defending New England Champions Deerfield.

Andover went on to take down Deerfield 107-78. The win was significant for Andover, as Deerfield has been a major competitor for the past seven New England Championship titles.

The team set a combined total of 24 season-best times and solidified its status as one of the strongest teams in the league.

"We walked into the meet excited and confident to race such a strong team. Deerfield has a few of the best individual swimmers in our league, but so do we, and it was exciting to face off against our closest rivals again," said Co-Captain Joe Faller '14.

Scott Simpson '14 said, "Coming in first and second in the 200-Yard IM relay was a great way to kick off the meet. It was great to see everyone step up and race their hardest after having a tough week of training. It definitely bodes well for future meets."

In the 200-Yard Freestyle, Faller was outtouched by his top competitor from Deerfield by only 63 milliseconds, the closest event of the meet.

Deerfield posed a challenge to a usually dominant Andover team by winning seven of nine individual events and two of three relays. Andover nonetheless used its depth to outscore Deerfield in eight of the twelve events and tie in another.

"The depth of our program really came to play this meet. Our team only placed first in two events the entire meet, but we still came out decisively on top, and this was due completely to all the guys for racing their hardest and fighting for that second, third and fourth spot," Faller added.

A trio of Jack Belluche '16, Kade Call '14 and Graham Johns '14 swept the diving competition by claiming first, second and third place respectively. Belluche had his best performance of the season, and finished with a score of 185.35. Call and Johns finished with 161.45 and 161.40 respectively.

Belluche said, "Deerfield is one of our biggest rivals so I knew that I had to dive my best, because every point was going to matter. My first two dives were okay, but when I got to my inwards I scored two eights in a row which really put me ahead of the competition. [Call and Johns] came in second and third which gave our team even more points and helped to secure our victory."

Andover looks to continue its undefeated streak this Saturday against Hopkins. The team will undergo two more weeks of heavy training before it begins resting for the championship season.

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Marcello Rossi '16 swims to third place in the 200 yard freestyle.

Boys Seize 400-Yard Freestyle Relay Record

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Andover	96
Hopkins	78

Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14 stroked ferociously, racing to the wall with every last ounce of his energy. As he punched the touchpad, the clock read 3:13.32, and the crowd erupted in cheers. Wynter, along with Co-Captain Joe Faller '14, Michael Camarda '14 and Scott Simpson '14, set a new Hopkins pool record in the 400-Yard Freestyle Relay.

This record was Andover's second on Saturday and seventh in total for the season, aiding towards Andover's 96-78 victory over Hopkins.

Andover dominated from the start of the meet and led Hopkins 96-29 after eight of 12 events. For the final four races, Andover competed in non-scoring exhibition races to end the meet 96-78 and keep its undefeated streak alive in the NEPSSA.

The meet began with the same team of Wynter, Faller, Camarda and Simpson competing in the 200-Yard Medley Relay. The group shattered the Hopkins pool record by more than three seconds with a time of 1:35.93, the ninth-fastest time in New England history.

Newcomer Christian Alberga '17 set his season-best time in the 100-Yard Breaststroke and was second to Andrew Yang '14, who went 1:04.25. Yang also placed second in the 50-Yard Free.

In the diving competition, Graham Johns '14, Jack Belluche '16 and Kade Call '14 claimed first, second and third place respectively.

"It was really exciting to come in first place. I nailed a couple of my dives, which pushed my scores up. I got straight 7.5's on my back dive straight with a half twist, which has a degree of difficulty of 1.8. I also did well on my inward one somersault tuck, which has a degree difficulty of 1.7," said Johns.

Johns finished the meet with a score of 177.15, followed by Belluche with 173.31 and Call with 164.45.

"Overall, Jack, Kade and I performed very well, and we're going to be working hard in practice this week in preparation for Eastern's in two weeks," said Johns.

The team used the meet as competitive practice to prepare for its championship season.

"[Saturday's meet] was an opportunity for us to rehearse our races for Eastern's and New England's. Our goal was to race as if we were at Eastern's, and we did just that. We swam hard, broke two relay records and set many personal best times," said Marcello Rossi '16.

Chris Li '15 added, "This was the last meet before our team starts to rest up for championships, so it served as a great baseline for us to improve upon. As we rest, our bodies are going to be more agile and ready for New England's and Eastern's."

Andover will compete against archrival Exeter on February 15 in its final dual meet of the season.

"Exeter better be prepared, because all of us are in great shape at the moment, and the newly set records might be broken yet again," said Rossi.

The following week, the team will travel to Philadelphia for the 114th Annual Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships, which historically boasts the fastest times of any high-school meet in the nation. 2/7/14

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Marcello Rossi '16 and his team placed second in the 200 Freestyle Relay.

Athlete of the Week

Graham Johns '14

Leaping into the air, Graham Johns '14 executed his signature inward dive pike, a notoriously difficult endeavor. His first place finish in the diving competition with 177 points provided six critical points for Andover Boys Swimming and Diving as the team eked out a narrow seven point win over Hopkins last Saturday. His precision in the air and water has earned him the title of* The Phillipian*'s Athlete of the Week.

When and why did you start diving?

I began diving at the beginning of the 2013 Winter season for a few reasons. Diving is always one of the sports that my family watches during the Summer Olympics, which began my interest, but the real reason was that I felt diving would be a strong combination of my talents. I was a competitive swimmer throughout my youth, and I had been involved in gymnastics as a child and more recently danced. I thought that diving would allow me to use my developed flexibility and body control in a new way, plus I love being in the water.

What is your favorite dive?

My best dives are my inward dive pike and my back dive 1/2 twist. In the meet at Hopkins last week I performed quite well on both of them—I got straight 7.5s on my back dive half twist. The other dives that I'm currently working on are front 1.5 somersault pike, my reverse 1 ss tuck, my inward 1 ss tuck, my front 2 ss tuck, my front dive 1/2 twist straight and my back 1 ss straight 1/2 twist. I perform better on pike dives because my previous dance experience allows me great body control in the pike position—more so than in the tuck or straight position. Pike is more difficult, however, so some of my dives remain in tuck.

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Graham Johns '14

What is your favorite thing about diving?

I like that diving works like a ladder. A new diver starts out doing entry falls off the board, and once one has his or her entries, one moves on to front jumps. From front jumps one goes to front dive tuck, to front 1 somersault tuck, to front 1.5 somersault tuck. Everything is very linear and builds from a strong base. I like this because it allows be to keep pushing myself to be better and that pressure helps me to succeed.

How do you prepare for a dive?

We start out working on the previous dive, so if I am learning a front double in tuck, I first do a front 1.5 ss in tuck and push it over a bit. You work on that a few times, until you feel comfortable trying out the new dive. You try to keep your form to the best of your ability, and instead of timing your entry by yourself, Belinda, our coach, calls us out of the dive so that we don't smack on our stomach or back. It works the same way with twisters—we start out doing to regular dive without the twist, and when we reach the twisting point in the air, Belinda screams "twist" and we pull into twisting position. It takes much longer to learn some dives over others. Learning a new inward dive is much more difficult than learning a new front dive, because diving in towards the board is quite frightening.

What goes on in your head before you hit the water?

A diving entry only works when you create an air pocket with your hands for your body to fall into — that's how divers make no splash. So when I'm about to hit the water, I think about squeezing my arms together above my head to create the air pocket. I'm also thinking about not smacking—hitting your face is by far the worst. Last year I was attempting a front 2 ss tuck, and I didn't hear Belinda call me out so I slammed my face into the water. My eyes were sore for hours. So I suppose I'm also thinking, "Don't hit your face, and protect your ears—swimmers' ear is the worst." I also think a lot about making sure my body is in line and positioned well—I score high with judges because of my straight legs and toe point.

How much does a backflop hurt?

Not as much as a front smack. Hitting your back on the water hurts terribly, but smacking your stomach on the water actually makes you want to throw up. If I smack my stomach too hard I have to sit out a couple of rounds to recover. Gladly, I've gotten better at avoiding smacks—I fail less dives than I did last year, and I learned to fall on my side instead of on my back or stomach. My side is less fleshy, and my arm helps to break my fall.

What would you rather dive into? A pool or chocolate or Jell-O?

Definitely a pool of Jell-O because Jell-O is translucent and bouncy. If I were to fall into a pool of pudding, I would sink down as if I were in quicksand and would get completely lost at the bottom. Also, Jell-O is my dessert of choice - when in doubt, eat your way out.

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200-Yard Freestyle Relay Record Aids 151-53 Victory

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Out of breath, Co-Captain Joe Faller '14 looked up at the scoreboard to see the time: 1:27.32. Faller started to smile; he knew what he had accomplished.

His finish in the 200-Yard Freestyle Relay shattered the meet record previously held by Exeter and the school record established by Michael Camarda '14, David Cao '14, Faller and Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14 earlier this season.

Camarda, Christian Alberga '17 and Scott Simpson '14 preceded Faller in the race.

The group's performance affirmed Andover Boys Swimming's domination over archrival Exeter in its final dual meet of the regular season this past Saturday. Andover won the meet 151-53 to finish its regular season off with a record of 6-1.

"The meet went great and gave us a foundation to build on for Eastern's. I think that our results are a positive indication of how Eastern's will go. Records obviously feel good to break: we can always find achievements through measurements," said Simpson.

Many Andover swimmers achieved season and personal best times during the meet. These accomplishments highlight the hard work and effort that the swimmers have devoted to improving their speed this season.

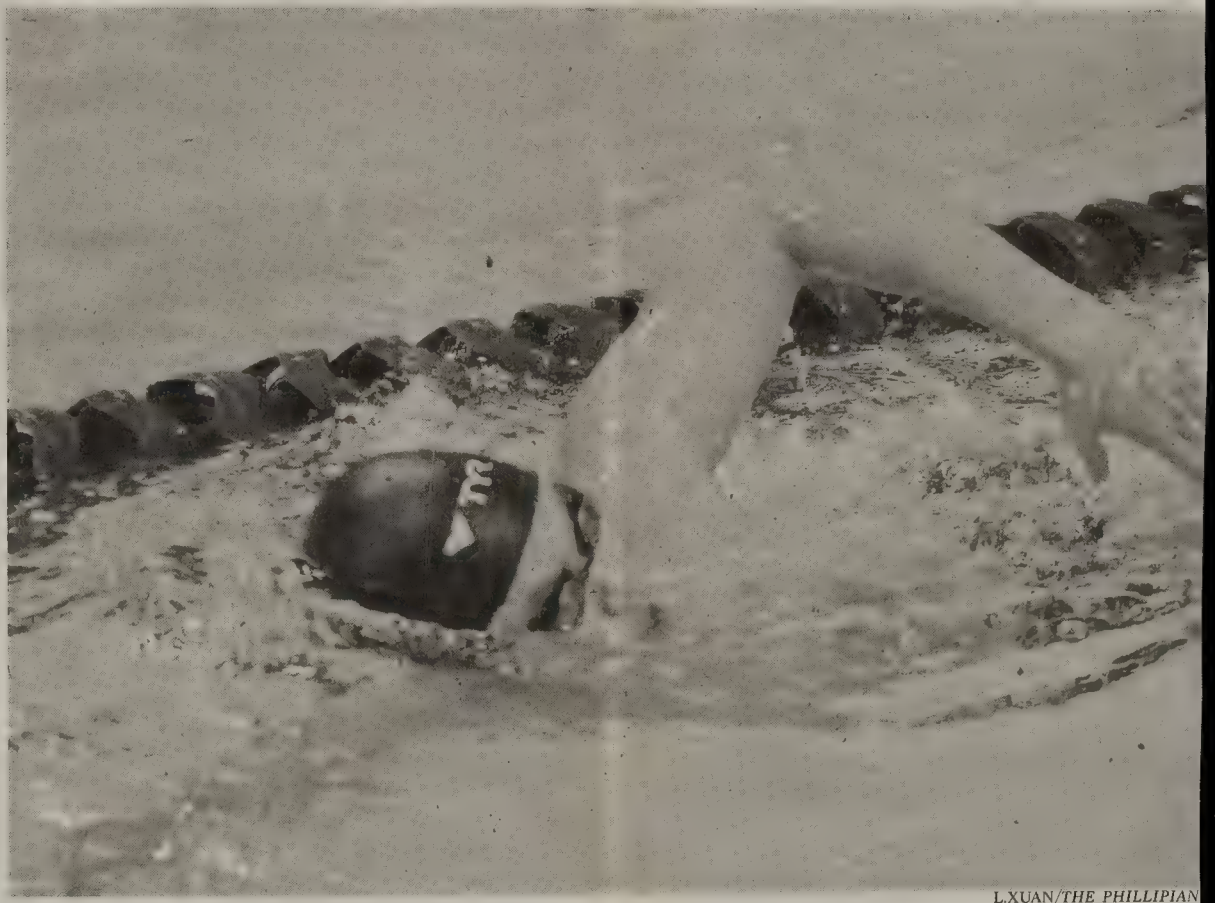
"The win was exhilarating, and everyone was really encouraging of one another throughout the meet. Watching our guys swim really pumps me up because they do so well. They motivate me to swim my hardest to hopefully break records myself," said Jonathan Xue '17.

"The meet went really well. Everyone swam good times, and it was a big confidence booster as we prepare for Eastern's next week," added Alberga.

Alberga had a great day in the pool. In addition to being a part of the 200-Yard Freestyle Relay, the rookie gained his first career victory by swimming a 22.73 in the 50-Yard Freestyle.

"It felt good to be the first freshman to break a record and get on the board. Hopefully there will be many more records to come. I was really excited to come in first after always being behind members of the Senior class earlier this season," said Alberga.

In the diving competition, Jack Belluche '16 claimed first place once again with an impressive score of 248.05. Belluche excelled in the meet, nailing his front 2.5, inward 1.5, back 1.5 and reverse-flip.



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Alex Li '15 warms up before his race against Exeter.

"I'm really proud of myself because it was the best performance of my diving career. Winning the meet gives me the confidence that I can really do well against all of the other divers at Eastern's," said Belluche.

Kade Call '14 came in third with 188.70 points, Graham Johns '14 claimed fourth with 173.15 and Thomas Bakken '14 finished in seventh place with 145.75.

"The entire team was really excited and pumped up about the win. We are ready to compete at Eastern's against our toughest competition yet," said Belluche.

Andover will send 14 swimmers and three divers to Philadelphia to participate in the 114th Eastern Swimming and Diving Championships this weekend. It will go up against national powerhouses such as Peddie, Mercersburg, Germantown, Georgetown Prep, Loyola Blakefield and Malvern Prep. After a fourth place finish last year, Andover will look to find the perfect ending to a record-breaking season.

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Easterns Records

Boys: 100-Yard Backstroke: Tim Wynter '14 with 49.08. Broke 17-year-old record set in 1997 twice, once in the preliminary rounds and then again in the finals.

School Records

Girls: 100 -Yard Breaststroke: Danielle Liu '14 broke a 2002 record and proceded to break the record again later that day.

Boys: 50 -Yard Freestyle: Michael Camarda '14 in 21.22 seconds.

Boys Make Waves at Easterns with 4th Place Finish

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Co-Captain Tim Wynter '14 coasted to the wall in 49.08 seconds to break a 17-year-old 49.14-second pool record in the 100-Yard Backstroke. The fastest backstroker in 114 years of Eastern Interscholastic Championships history, Wynter currently holds the New England record of 49.06 seconds as well.

"Breaking the meet record felt great. It was a good race for me, but I still want to improve on it this coming weekend at New Englands. I think that I can swim faster," said Wynter.

This was one of Andover's numerous record-breaking performances over the course of the weekend. Many swimmers also set personal and season best times at the meet.

For the second year in a row, Andover Boys Swimming and Diving finished in fourth place out of 15 teams at the Eastern Championships. This year, with a score of 292 points, the team finished a mere two points shy of third-place team Malvern Prep.

"The meet was much more competitive, and there was more depth of swimmers this year than last year. Coming in fourth place felt amazing, and everyone was really happy with our results," said Marcello Rossi '16. Rossi placed 17th in the 500-Yard Freestyle with a personal best time of 4:47.64.

Rossi was also a member of the 400-Yard Freestyle Relay team that broke the school record and New England record set by Exeter in 2012. Co-Captain Joe Faller '14, Wynter and Michael Camarda '14 joined Rossi in the relay victory.

Camarda set a new school record in the 50-Yard Freestyle with a time of 21.22 seconds.

Wynter, Scott Simpson '14, Faller and Camarda broke the New England record by over two seconds and the school record in the 200-Yard Medley Relay with an impressive time of 1:31.86.

In the diving competition, which included 33 divers, Graham Johns '14 finished in 12th place, Jack Belluche '16 finished in 14th place and Kade Call '14 finished in 17th place.

Andover will swim at the New England Championships this upcoming weekend at Hotchkiss. Andover did not compete at New Englands last year. The team, however, captured the New England Championship in 2010, 2011 and 2012.

In preparation for New Englands, the swimmers will work individually on their turns and starts. As a team, Andover is aspiring to accomplish 100 percent personal best times and to improve upon its already record-breaking relay performances.

"Every single member of the team has been working extremely hard this season. We have been killing ourselves everyday at practice for months, and it has all been leading up to these two Championship meets," said Faller. "All of our practices and dual meets, everything that we have done so far this season, has been in preparation for these two meets. We really want to come home with first place this weekend." 2/25/14

Sport: Girls Varsity Swimming

Year: 2014

Captains: Kaitlin Simpson, Amy Zhao

Coach: Paul Murphy

Assistant Coach: David Gardner

SEASON RECORD

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New England Championship runner-up

LETTER WINNERS

Al-Mayahi, Sarah
Conte, Lauren
Duserick, Elizabeth
Im, Claire
Liu, Danielle
Liu, Evelyn
Moreau, Jeanine
Nanda, Mary Catherine
Newton, Sasha
Nix, Sabine
Overly, Kristen
Park, Kaylyn
Rooney, Morgan
Sambuco, Sloane
Simpson, Kaitlin
Sweetser, Katherine
Torabi, Corinna
Xia, Kelly
Zhao, Amy

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Varsity Swimming
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Al-Mayahi, Sarah	2017	Lynnfield, MA
Conte, Lauren	2014	Methuen, MA
Duserick, Elizabeth	2016	Arlington, MA
Im, Claire	2015	Seoul, KOR
Liu, Danielle	2014	Andover, MA
Liu, Evelyn	2015	Hong Kong
Moreau, Jeanine	2016	Litchfield, CT
Nanda, Mary Catherine	2014	Shreveport, LA
Newton, Sasha	2016	Lafayette, CA
Nix, Sabine	2016	Katonah, NY
Overly, Kristen	2015	Columbus, OH
Park, Kaylyn	2017	Bloomington, IN
Rooney, Morgan	2017	Wayne, PA
Sambuco, Sloane	2016	Palm Beach, FL
Simpson, Kaitlin*	2014	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
Sweetser, Katherine	2017	North Andover, MA
Torabi, Corinna	2014	North Andover, MA
Xia, Kelly	2015	Weston, MA
Zhao, Amy*	2014	Guilford, CT

**Captains*

Coach: Paul Murphy

Assistant Coach: David Gardner

Managers: Nolan Crawford '15, Peter Fanikos '14, Jared Newman '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 4:45 PM	Suffield/Peddie		Game	L A65/S120; A61/P115
1/11 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis		Game	W 122-64
1/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 102.5-72.5
1/25 @ 4:30 PM	Deerfield		Game	W 106-80
2/1 @ 1:00 PM	Hopkins		Game	W 96-89
2/15 @ 2:00 PM	Exeter		Game	L 81.5-104.4
2/20-23	114th Eastern Swimming & Diving Championships		Championship	W placed 6th
3/1 @ 9:00 PM	New England Championships		Championship	Runner Up (Suffield 393; Andover 279; Hopkins 242; Deerfield 228.5; Choate 226.5; Exeter 196.5)

Highlights

Suffield/Peddie

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
12/7/2013 11:45 AM		Game	Suffield	A65/S120; A61/P115

Zhao takes Pool Record; Medley Relay record to FALL!

The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving opened in strong form during a tri-meet with Suffield Academy and The Peddie School. Big thanks to Andy Lowe, coach at Suffield, for hosting and making this happen. The idea began at last year's Eastern Championships in Philadelphia. None of the coaches could remember a dual meet with Peddie! Long time.

In the final accounting, Andover came in behind both teams in scoring. Andover 65/ Suffield 120. Andover 61/ Peddie 115. Suffield Girls are the reigning New England Champions - having graduated few and picked up an amazing ninth grader, Eva Crouse, in the 200 and 100 (she set a new New England record in the 200: 1:50.80 - besting Andover's Hee-Jin Chang '05 record from 2002!). Peddie is perennially strong.

Andover began the day on an extremely strong note. The 200 Medley Relay team came within 0.13 seconds of the 2002 school record (Doty, Demers, Demers, Chang) to post a time of 1:50.27 and to touch out Suffield by 0.24 second. We will surely see this record come down this year with the likes of Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14 and Kait Simpson '14! Strong performances also posted by the other 3 teams. Kristen Overly '15, Sarah Al-Mayahi '17, Morgan Rooney '17 and Evelyn Liu '15 swam 2:04.57. Sasha Newton '16, Kay Xia '15, Elizabeth Duserick '16, and Kaylyn Park '17 swam 2:04.74. Soubie Im '15, Sabine Nix '16, Sloane Sambuco '16 and Mary Catherine Nanda '14 swam 2:07.89.

Simpson, Katherine Sweetser '17, and Conte posted strong season debut swims of 1:58.64, 2:01.06 (a nail biter with a Peddie swimmer!), and 2:04.69 in the 200 Free.

Danielle Liu came in first in a crazy race in the 200 IM -touching out a Peddie swimmer by 0.29 second with a time of 2:10.01. Rooney and Evelyn Liu posted strong times of 2:32.31 and 2:34.12.

Another nail biter in the 50 free with Peddie saw Zhao set the pool record with a time of 24.04 (less than 0.35 off her personal best). Great times were also posted by Park, Al-Mayahi and Nanda (27.75, 29.05 and 27.81).

Mia LaRocca '16 was our only entry in the diving, due to SATs that morning. Her score of 117.50 earned her 4th place!

In the 100 Fly, Sweetser flew with a time of 1:00.38 while Rooney, Xia and Park swam well with times of 1:07.75, 1:10.44 and 1:07.98.

Zhao posted 52.70 in the 100 free (better than any of her swims in 12-13!) while Duserick, Sambuco and Jeannine Moreau '17 posted great season debut times of 58.94, 1:03.06 and 1:04.86.

Danielle Liu powered her way to a strong first place in the 500 with a time of 5:06.44 while Newton swam 5:53.00 and Corinna Torabi '14 swam 6:05.74.

The team of Duserick, Simpson, Sweetser and Zhao swam 1:42.00 in the 200 Free (another record soon to fall!). Sambuco, Evelyn Liu, Im and Rooney posted 1:54.35. Overly, Nanda, Nix and Moreau posted 1:54.66!

In the 100 Back, Conte was strong with 1:04.43 (her eye on the school record of 59.30 (1994; Welles)!). Newton, Im and Overly swam 1:08.56, 1:08.94 and 1:09.84.

In the 100 Breast, Duserick posted a debut time of 1:16.17 while Al-Mayahi, Xia and Nix posted times of 1:22.67, 1:23.35, and 1:23.43.

The 400 Free Relay of Sweetser, Simpson, Conte and Danielle Liu swam a great race at 3:41.98. The other teams of Newton, Xia, Park and Torabi (4:09.10) and Overly, Im, Moreau and Evelyn Liu (4:11.77) swam amazingly well, too!

The team record is 0-2-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).

Our next meet is on January 11, 2014 when we travel to Loomis for a 2:00pm meet.

Loomis

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/11/2014 10:00 AM	[redacted]	Game	Loomis	122-64

Two new New England meter records!

The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving broke into 2014 with a bang - a big win over a strong host Loomis Chaffee team. Andover set FIVE new pool records in Windsor today! Score was 122-64

[all times are in meters]

The team of Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Morgan Rooney '17 and Elizabeth Duserick '16 posted a strong time of 2:11.66 in the 200 Medley Relay to win the event. The team of Soubie Im '15, Sarah Al-Mayahi '17, Kay Xia '15 and Evelyn Liu '15 came in third with a time of 2:22.22!

The 1-2 punch of Kait Simpson '14 and Katherine Sweetser '17 was next in the 200 Free with times of 2:10.91 and 2:14.40, respectively.

In the 200 IM, Danielle Liu set a new pool and New England meter record today with a time of 2:22.18! Corinna Torabi '14 and Rooney were second and third with times of 2:45.10 and 2:46.32.

Speedster Amy Zhao '14 set a new pool record in the 50 free with a time of 26.79 (besting her pool record of 27.13 from two years ago). Newcomer Jeanine Moreau '16 was third with 30.34 and Sloane Sambuco '16 was 5th with a time of 31.45.

In the diving, Mia LaRocca '16 was third with a score of 141.35 and Sabrina Rivers '14 was 4th with a score of 130.

Sweetser was first in the 100 fly with a time of 1:05.93. Rooney and Evelyn Liu were 3rdand 5th with times of 1:14.02 and 1:28.01.

Zhao was first in the 100 free with a time of 58.85; Duserick (1:04.66) was second; Moreau (1:11.03) was fifth.

Danielle Liu posted another pool record in the 400 free with a time of 4:27.03. Conte (4:47.61) and Torabi (5:15.38) were second and fifth.

Another New England meter record was set in the 200 free relay by Zhao, Duserick, Sweetser and Simpson with a time of 1:52.38!

Conte, Simpson and Im went 1-2-3 in the 100 back with times of 1:11.38, 1:11.93 and 1:15.00.

Duserick won the breaststroke with a time of 1:24.56. Al-Mayahi and Xia were 4th and 5th.

A FIFTH pool record was posted in the 400 free relay by Simpson, Danielle Liu, Sweetser, and Zhao with a time of 4:04.33. Conte, Im, Torabi and Evelyn Liu were 3rdwith a time of 4:35.21.

The team record is 1-2-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).

Our next meet is on January 18, 2014 when we host Northfield Mount Hermon for a 3:00pm meet.

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/18/2014 10:00 AM	H	Game	Andover	102.5-72.5

Danielle Liu breaks 9 year old pool record!

The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving continued on its successful 2014 season with a win over the visiting team from Northfield Mount Hermon. Andover had one pool record and lots of great mid-season swims! Score was 102.5-72.5

Right out of the gates, the 200 Medley relay team of Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14 and Kait Simpson '14 powered to a first place finish with a time of 1:51.32. In second, Soubie Im '15, Elizabeth Duserick '16, Jeanine Moreau '16 and Evelyn Liu '15 swam a time of 2:03.31.
In the 200 free, Katherine Sweetser '17 placed first with a time of 2:01.07 while Conte was second with a time of 2:06.88.
In the 200 IM, Danielle Liu placed first and set a new pool record of 2:07.16 (previous record was set in 2004 by Tina Ertel from NMH!). Corinna Torabi '14 was second with a time of 2:26.72. Moreau swam this even for the first time today and swam a 2:33.82. We will see more from her in the coming weeks!
Duserick won the 50 free with a time of 26.72. Im tied for 3rd with a time of 27.64. Sloane Sambuco was 5th with a time of 28.31.
The divers went 1-2-3 since NMH does not have a diving board. Sabrina Rivers '14, Catherine Wang '14 and Malka Berro '14 scored 154.60, 146.55 and 130.00.
Zhao, Sweetser and Morgan Rooney '17 powered to first, second and third in the 100 fly with times of 57.14, 59.86 and 1:04.68.
Simpson won the 100 free with a time of 55.11 while Torabi and Moreau grabbed third and sixth places.
Conte and Duserick went 1-2 in the 500 free with times of 5:30.02 and 5:48.27 today. Kay Xia '15 placed 4th with a time of 6:06.08.
Another 1-2 punch came in the 200 free relay. The team of Zhao, Duserick, Sweetser and Simpson went so fast with a time of 1:42.44. Conte, Moreau, Evelyn Liu and Torabi swam 1:51.36.
Though exhibition, Im swam well in the 100 back - leading the pack with a time of 1:07.12. Xia was close behind at 1:13.19. And Sarah Al-Mayahi '17 swam 1:16.96.
In the 100 breast, Danielle Liu swam 1:10.50 while Evelyn Liu swam 1:19.67 and Sabine Nix swam 1:20.38.
In the final relay, the team of Simpson, Danielle Liu, Sweetser and Zhao swam 3:38.89 and the team of Im, Evelyn Liu, Rooney and Torabi swam 4:05.29.
The team record is 2-2-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).
Our next meet is on January 25, 2014 when we travel to Deerfield Academy for a 4:30pm contest.

Deerfield

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/25/2014 11:30 AM		Game	Deerfield	106-80

Season bests achieved!
The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving continued on its successful 2014 season with a win over the host team, Deerfield Academy. Score was 106-80. The team had over 20 season best times!
A 1-3 punch in the 200 Medley Relay began the afternoon. The team of Kaitlin Simpson'14, Danielle Liu '14, Katherine Sweetser '17 and Amy Zhao '14 wowed the crowd with a time of 1:50.85 (still chasing the 2002 record of 1:50.14). Sasha Newton '16, Evelyn Liu '15, Morgan Rooney '17 and Jeanine Moreau '16 came in third with a time of 2:02.88.
In the 200 Free, Danielle Liu won with a time of 1:54.30 and Lauren Conte '14 posted a high school season best of 2:03.45 to place second.
In the 200 IM, Simpson was first with a season best 2:15.01 while Morgan Rooney '17 and Corinna Torabi '14 were third and fourth with twin times of 2:26.04 and 2:26.37.
Zhao won the 50 freestyle with a time of 24.79.
Mia LaRocca '16, Sabrina Rivers '14 and Catherine Wang '14 were 3rd, 4th and 5th in the diving event.
In the 100 fly, Simpson powered to a first place with a time of 59.62. Elizabeth Duserick '16 was third with a time of 1:04.36 while Rooney was fourth with a time of 1:06.09.

Zhao and Sweetser were 1 and 2 in the 100 free with times of 53.73 and 55.66. The ever-improving Moreau was 5th with a time of 1:01.51.
We had another set of twin times in the 500 as Newton and Torabi were first and second with times of 5:49.80 and 5:49.97. Kay Xia was fifth with 6:01.17!
Danielle Liu, Duserick, Sweetser and Zhao won the 200 free relay with a time of 1:41.65.
Conte was second in the 100 back with a time of 1:03.51 while Newton and Soubie Im '15 had twin times of 1:07.37 and 1:07.40 to place fifth and sixth.
Danielle Liu won the 100 breast with a time of 1:08.99 while Evelyn Liu was 5th and Kay Xia was sixth.
In the final event, the 400 free relay, Duserick, Sweetser, Conte and Simpson won with a time of 3:46.08 and Newton, Rooney, Im and Torabi were third with a time of 4:04.97.
The team record is 3-2-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).
Our next meet is on February 1, 2014 when we travel to The Hopkins School for a 1:00pm contest.

Hopkins

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/1/2014 8:00 AM	[redacted]	Game	Hopkins	96-89

Mid-season strong showing
The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving continued on its successful 2014 season with a win over the host team, The Hopkins School. Score was 96-89.
In the 200 Medley Relay, the SENIOR team of Lauren Conte'14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14 and Kait Simpson '14 blazed to a 1:51.00 win to begin the day.
While Erin Early of Hopkins set a new school record in the 200 Free with a time of 1:53.78, Simpson powered to a second place finish with a time of 1:59.36. Conte was 4th with 2:05.37 and Sasha Newton '16 was 5th with 2:07.80.
Danielle Liu was first in the 200 IM with a time of 2:07.92 and Katherine Sweetser '17 was third with a time of 2:18.95. Kay Xia '15 was sixth with a time of 2:32.65.
Zhao won the 50 free in 24.60. Jeanine Moreau '16 was 4th with 27.53 and Evelyn Liu '15 was 5th at 28.30.
Our divers went 1-2-3 which helped boost a close meet. Mia LaRocca '16, Sabrina Rivers '14 and Catherine Wang '14 had scores of 153.85, 139.30 and 127.35.
Zhao and Sweetser were 1 and 2 in the 100 fly with times of 57.92 (pool record) and 1:01.02. Elizabeth Duserick '16 was 4th with 1:03.15 - a personal best!
Simpson was second in the 100 free with a time of 55:06 (season best for her) and Morgan Rooney '17 was 4th with 1:00.10. Sloane Sambuco '16 was 5thwith a season best 1:01.94.
Early of Hopkins set a new New England record in the 500 with a time of 4:56.20 and helped push Danielle Liu to a season best and second place with a time of 5:04.31. Corinna Torabi '14 was 5th with 5:49.05 and Newton was 6th with 5:50.79.
Swimming 1:45.23 and placing first, Sweetser, Moreau, Duserick and Zhao wowed the crowd.
Conte was second in the 100 back with a time of 1:05.08 while Soubie Im '15 posted a time of 1:07.28 and placed 4th. Torabi was 6th with 1:11.39.
Duserick swam a season best 1:15.13 3rd place in the 100 breast. Sabine Nix '16 was 5thwith a time of 1:21.47.
Sarah Al-Mayahi'17 was sixth with 1:23.15.
Going into the final relay, the score stood at 88-83. Andover HAD to win the last relay in order to emerge victorious! And that they did!
Simpson, Sweetser, Conte and Danielle Liu blew way past the Hopkins team with a time of 3:38.17!
The team record is 4-2-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).
Our next meet is on February 15, 2014 when we travel to Phillips Exeter Academy for a 2:00pm contest.

Exeter

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/15/2014 9:00 AM		Game	Exeter	81.5-104.4

Danielle Liu breaks Andover Exeter record

The 41st Year of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving capped its regular season with a second place finish against a deep Exeter team this afternoon. Final score was Andover 81.5, Exeter 104.5. Danielle Liu sets her third Andover Exeter record!

In the 200 Medley Relay, the team of Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Morgan Rooney '17 and Kait Simpson '14 placed first with a time of 1:53.94. Sasha Newton '16, Evelyn Liu '15, Amy Zhou '14 and Mary Catherine Nanda '14 were 4thwith a time of 1:59.24.

Simpson then went to the 200 Free and won the event with a season best time of 1:57.82 (the Exeter swimmer was second at 1:57.94). Newton was 5th with a time of 2:10.88 and Soubie Im '15 posted a season best time of 2:12.99.

Danielle Liu won the 200 IM with a close-to-Andover-Exeter record time of 2:07.57 (she owns the record from 2013 with a time of 2:07.40). Katherine Sweetser came in third with a season best time of 2:16.29. Corinna Torabi '14 was 6th with a season best time of 2:25.35.

Zhao won the 50 free in 24.49 while Elizabeth Duserick '16 tied for 4th with a season best time of 26.07. Evelyn Liu posted a season best 27.72.

In the diving event, with LaRocca injured, Sabrina River '14 and Malka Berro posted 3rd and fifth. Point totals were 154 and 129, respectively

Zhao flew to the win in the fly with an almost AE record setting time of 57.54 (record is 57.41, Exeter) while Rooney posted a 5thplace with a time of 1:05.04. Kay Xia'15 posted a season best 1:09.39.

Simpson won the 100 free in a season best 53.66 while Sweetser placed second in a season best 55.54. Sloane Sambuco '16 posted a time of 1:01.33.

In the 500, Conte gave it her all and swam a two-season best time of 5:27.34 to finish third. Newton was 5th with a season best 5:45.70. Torabi was 6th at 5:49.41.

Winning the 200 free relay with a time of 1:41.45, the team of Duserick, Sweetser, Zhao and Simpson finished 2 seconds ahead of the second place Exeter team.

Conte was back on the blocks for the 100 back and showed true grit in her 1:04.88 finish in third. Im was 4th with a season best time of 1:06.08.

Coming in first and setting a new Andover Exeter record in the 100 breaststroke (previous: Malindi Davies, 1994, Exeter, 1:08.04), Danielle Liu swam a decisive 1:07.96. Danielle set the 200 IM (2:07.40) and 500 free (4:59.31) Andover Exeter records in 2013. Duserick and Sabine Nix '15 swam season best times of 1:15.04 and 1:19.74, respectively!

The team of Duserick, Conte, Sweetser, and Danielle Liu had a bit more left and posted a time of 3:47.44 to place second in the 400 free relay.

The team record is 4-3-0. Complete results may be viewed on the league website (www.nepssa.org) or on Andover Aquatics (www.andoveraquatics.net).

We travel to the Eastern Championships on Thursday afternoon 2/20 for a Friday-Saturday meet at LaSalle University in Philadelphia, PA, hosted by Germantown Academy. New Englands is the weekend following at Hotchkiss.

Easterns

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/21/2014 8:00 AM		Championship	LaSalle University, Pennsylvania	placed 6th place

AMAZING 2 DAYS!
PA on the road to PA!
The 41st year of Andover Swimmin Women saw a return to Pennsylvania to attend the 114th Eastern Interscholastic Swimming and Diving Championships, hosted by Germantown Academy at LaSalle University in Philadelphia, PA. We headed out on Thursday 2/20 and made great time to arrive in Philly at about 8:30. Dinner at the hotel, followed by shaving and bedtime was quickly followed by a 5:45 AM departure for the pool. The team warmed up between 6:00 and 8:00 AM - and then, the first day of competition began! The events on Friday were 200 Medley Relay (first B, then A), 200 Free, 200 IM, 50 Free, 100 Fly, 200 Free Relay and Diving. On Saturday: 100 Free, 500 Free, 100 Back, 100 Breast, 400 Free Relay. Prelims in the morning were followed by girls diving (on Friday only) and then the finals of the morning events beginning at 5:00pm.
All swimmers had fantastic swims (we did not bring any girl divers this year L)- complete with lots of great time drops, season and personal bests - and some school and New England records. The girls had been getting ready for this meet since November and we are all so proud of them! Going to Easterns was the perfect penultimate event to a great season. We will attend the New England Championships next weekend at Hotchkiss (March 1 & 2).
We send our thanks to all the parents, alumni/ae, who fully funded the Easterns trip, and to the Athletic Department for their support of this amazing adventure!
On to Hotchkiss for a final hurrah next weekend.

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Final team Scores:
Germantown 526; Peddie 464; Episcopal 380; Suffield 271; Hill 169; Andover 167

Top 18 places score points for the team.

FRIDAY

Diving: no divers this year.

Swimming
Prelim Times and [finals times/places] if the swimmer made top 18:

200 Medley Relay
B relay: no B relay this year
A relay: Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14, Kait Simpson '14; 1:48.32
[6th place in finals at night: 1:48.94]
**new School Record. Previous: 2002: A. Doty, L. Demers, S. Demers, H. Chang 1:50.14

200 Free
Lauren Conte '14: 2:00.53 [17th place at night: 2:00.96]; Personal Best
Danielle Liu '14: 1:51.89 [2nd place at night: 1:50.03]; Personal Best
*new school record (Previous: 2004, H. Chang, 1:51.03)
*new New England Record (Previous: 12/2013, E. Crouse, Suffield, 1:50.80)

200 IM
Soubie Im '15: 2:25.74; Personal Best
Morgan Rooney '17: 2:21.77; Personal Best
Corinna Torabi '14: 2:20.98 [17th place at night: 2:20.02]; Personal Best

50 Free
Amy Zhao '14: 24.16 [4th place at night: 24.13]

100 Fly
Morgan Rooney '17: 1:03.28
Elizabeth Duserick '16: 1:00.97; Personal Best
Katherine Sweetser '16: 59.73 [14th place at night: 59.49]
Amy Zhao '14: 57.12 [10th place at night: 57.77]
Kait Simpson '14: 57.35 [7th place at night: 56.67]

200 Free Relay
B relay: no B relay
A relay: Duserick, Sasha Newton '16, Rooney, Sweetser: 1:43.35
[11th place at night: 1:42.74]

SATURDAY

100 Free
Duserick: 56.68; Personal Best
Sweetser: 55.55; Personal Best
Simpson: 52.37 [3rd place at night: 52.16]; Personal Best

500 Free
Torabi: 5:38.94
Newton: 5:34.27; Season Best

100 Back
Im: 1:06.07; Season Best
Newton: 1:04.48; Personal Best
Conte: 1:01.52 [13th place at night: 1:01.31]

100 Breast
Danielle Liu '14: 1:06.46 [10th place at night: 1:06.30]; Personal Best
** new School Record (previous: Hee-Jin Chang 1:06.86, 2002)

400 Free Relay
B relay: Conte, Torabi, Im, Rooney: 3:51.23
A relay: Liu, Sweetser, Simpson, Zhao: 3:31.68
[at night, DQd for reentering the water without permission.
Time 3:29.64; New England Record is 3:31.49]

P.S. So, as you can see, we had a tough ending to a great two days. But we are strong and fast and determined to make a go of the New England record in the 400 free relay next weekend - as well as push everyone to go their fastest times!!

NE England Championships

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
3/1/2014 4:00 PM		Championship	Lakeville, CT	Runner UP (Suffield 393; Andover 279; Hopkins 242; Deerfield 228.5; Choate 226.5; Exeter 196.5

Seniors Shine!

The 41st season of Girls Varsity Swimming & Diving came to a close on a high note this past weekend with a strong second place finish in New England behind a very strong Suffield Academy team.

Highlights of the meet and season:

- 200 Medley Relay record set at Easterns. Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14, Kait Simpson '14. 1:48.32
- 200 Free record set by Danielle Liu '14 at Easterns. Also a New England Record. 1:50.03*
- 100 Backstroke record set by Kaitlin Simpson '14 at New Englands. 58.97
- 100 Breaststroke record set by Danielle Liu '14 at Easterns. 1:06.30
- 400 Free Relay record set by Katherine Sweetser'17, Danielle Liu '14, Kaitlin Simpson '14, Amy Zhao '14 at New Englands. Also a New England Record. 3:29.36
- Amy Zhao presented with the Robertson Award by vote of the league coaches for outstanding athleticism and contributions to the league.

The meet this past weekend held swim trials on Saturday morning, diving trials on Saturday afternoon and evening and Finals for everyone on Sunday, beginning in the late morning. The relays were swum only on Sunday and the 500 was a timed final event with the top 16 seeds swimming on Sunday.

As a result of some great swims on Saturday by the Swimmin Women, many of our swimmers and one of our divers made it into the Finals on Sunday. We experienced almost 100% season and personal bests this weekend - an amazing feat considering about half the squad experienced the same thing during the previous weekend in Philadelphia.

Here are the results in short form.

*All American Consideration

** All American Automatic

<u>200 Medley Relay</u>

B Relay: Kristen Overly '15, Sabine Nix '16, Kaylyn Park'17, Mary Catherine Nanda '14; 2:02.84

A Relay: Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Amy Zhao '14, Kaitlin Simpson '14; 1:48.40; 2nd place

<u>200 Free - Seed; Prelim; Final and Place</u>

Katherine Sweetser '17; 2:01.06; 1:58.21; 1:58.62; 8th place

Conte; 2:00.53; 2:00.24; 1:59.19; 10th place

Soubie Im '15; 2:12.99; 2:08.40

<u>200 IM</u>

Danielle Liu; 2:07.16; 2:05.16; 2:04.76*; New England Champion

Corinna Torabi; 2:20.02; 2:18.81; 2:17.85; 9th place

Morgan Rooney '17; 2:21.77; 2:21.84; 2:20.33; 14th place

<u>50 Free</u>

Zhao; 24.03; 24.12; 23.44*; New England Champion

Nanda; 26.72; 26.29; 22nd place

Jeanine Moreau '16; 26.82; 26.64; 25th place

Evelyn Liu '15; 27.72; 27.25; 33rd place

<u>Diving</u>

Sabrina Rivers '14; 252.15 points; 16th place

Catherine Wang '14

Malka Berro '14

Mia LaRocca '16

<u>100 Fly</u>

Sweetser; 59.34; 59.00; 59.12; 5th place

Elizabeth Duserick '16; 1:00.97; 1;00.79; 59.72; 6th place

Rooney; 1:03.28; 1:03.00; 1:03.30; 13th place
Kaylyn Park '17; 1:07.98; 1:04.84
100 Free
Zhao; 52.70; 52.73; 51.39*; New England Champion
Simpson; 52.16; 52.45; 52.17; 2nd place
Sasha Newton '16; 58.00; 55.89; 55.49; 13th place
500 Free
Danielle Liu; 5:04.31; 4:59.92; 2nd place
Torabi; 5:38.94; 5:35.00; 18th place
Newton; 5:34.27; 5:43.89; 26th place
200 Free Relay
B Relay: Sarah Al-Mayahi '17, Overly, Im, Evelyn Liu; 1:49.62
A Relay: Duserick, Newton, Nanda, Sweetser; 1:43.06; 8th place
100 Back
Simpson; 1:04.74; 59.09; 58.97; 3rd place
Conte; 1:01.31; 1:01.80; 1:01.99; 14th place
Im; 1:06.07; 1:05.18; 21st place
100 Breast
Duserick; 1:15.04; 1:12.45; 1:12.25; 13th place
Al-Mayahi; 1:22.67; 1:18.45; 23rd place
Nix; 1:19.74; 1:19.30; 25th place
Kay Xia '15; 1:21.93; 1:20.06; 30th place
400 Free Relay
B Relay: Sloane Sambuco '16, Moreau, Xia, Evelyn Liu; 3:59.19
A Relay: Sweetser, Danielle Liu, Simpson, Zhao; 3:29.36**; New England Champions (by more than 6 seconds!)
HUGE thanks to all our fans and to the parents who supported the girls every step of the way. Special thanks to the parents of the seniors. We will miss you and your girls next year...deeply. Thanks to all the alums and parents of alums who read these write-ups every week!
All results may be found on the league website (Powered by Jacques Hugon '79, coach extraordinaire) www.nepssa.orgOr the amazing Andover Aquatics website www.andoveraquatics.net (team bests are usually updated in the summer!)
On to YEAR 42!

Girls Kick Off Season With Pool Record

By Lara Guvelioglu
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover's 200 Medley Relay team blew past both Suffield and Peddie to clinch the first event of the season, posting a final time just 0.13 seconds short of the 2002 school record.

With a 1:50.27 finish, the combined efforts of Lauren Conte '14, Danielle Liu '14, Co-Captain Amy Zhao '14 and Co-Captain Kaitlin Simpson '14 put Andover Girls Swimming ahead in a tight race against two strong teams.

Despite its strong start and a new pool record, Andover fell 120-65 to the reigning New England Champions, Suffield, and to Peddie 115-61. Having graduated seven Seniors and boasting an undefeated record last season, Andover has room to improve this winter.

"Last Saturday's meet brought together the three strongest swimming programs in the Eastern USA, and there was great swimming all around from all three schools," said Simpson.

In two very close races, Zhao and Liu broke past competing swimmers to secure valuable first-place wins for Andover. Zhao managed to pull ahead of a Peddie competitor and delivered a final time of 24.04 to set a pool record for the 50 Free. In the 200 Individual Medley, Liu beat out another Peddie swimmer by only 0.29 seconds for a time of 2:10.01.

"We usually start the season with an inter-squad meet in December and have our first meet in January, so competing in December against other teams is new for us," said Zhao.

"Despite this change, I think everyone really stepped up to the challenge, especially the newcomers," she continued. "We saw many wonderful, fast swims as well as great team spirit. It will only get better from here, which is so exciting."

Team efforts dominated the meet, with a close third place finish from Elizabeth Duserick '16, Simpson, Katherine Sweester '17 and Zhao in the 200 Yard Freestyle Relay, followed by Sloane Sambuco '16, Evelyn Liu '15, Soubie Im '15 and Morgan Rooney '17 in seventh place.

Sweester, Simpson, Conte and Liu claimed third in the 400 Yard Freestyle Relay, and Andover took both second and fourth in the Mixed 400 Yard Freestyle Relay.

"Going against two teams that train all year and who started their seasons in September, we were the underdogs at the meet last weekend in terms of fitness and the amount of practices we've had," said Simpson.

Having had only three actual practices before the last meet, Andover Girls Swimming realizes the pressing need to improve if it wants to compete against such skilled teams.

"We need to bring ourselves up to their fitness level as quickly as we can given the limited time we have. We definitely need to focus on a lot of technical aspects in our strokes, dives and flip turns, but mainly at this point in the season it is fitness," she added.

Andover Girls Swimming returns to the pool on January 11 at Loomis Chaffee.

12/13/13

Five Records for First Victory: Girls Topple Loomis with First Place in All Events

By Lara Guvelioglu
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	122
Loomis Chaffee	64

Streaking past its opponents, Andover's 400 Free Relay team of Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14, Danielle Liu '14, Katherine Sweetser '17 and Co-Captain Amy Zhao '14 toppled the fifth record of the day for Andover Girls Swimming, capping off a crushing 122-64 victory against Loomis Chaffee.

Returning to the pool after a recent loss, the girls swept first place in all events at Loomis last Saturday, shattering two New England records and five pool records in the process. Although the team faced the challenges of a short-course meter pool, which is 25 meters long instead of the traditional 25 yards, Andover's depth as a team catapulted it to victory.

"We don't train short-course meters, but our team still did a great job adapting quickly to the new pool setup, [where] the races are longer and more exhausting," said Zhao. "It was amazing to see so many speedy times so early on in the season. It will only get better from here, which is really exciting."

Liu claimed the first record of the day in the 200 IM, collapsing the pool and New England records with a time of 2:22.18. Just behind her, Corinna Torabi '14 and Morgan Rooney '17 swept second and third place respectively.

In the next event, Zhao unseated a pool record that she had set two years ago, crushing all competition in a quick 26.79. During a break, Mia LaRocca '16 and Sabrina Rivers '14 took third and fourth place in diving respectively. After the break, Liu returned to the pool and demolished the pool record for the 400 Free.

For the fourth record of the day, Andover's 200 Free relay team of Zhao, Duserick, Sweetser and Simpson blew through its event for another New England record. Soon after, Lauren Conte '14, Simpson and Soubie Im '15 dominated the 100 Backstroke in first, second and third place respectively.

"I thought everybody did great today," said Simpson, "We are in a good place for this time in the season."

In addition to unbeatable skill in the pool, the team also boasts strong team chemistry.

"Team spirit on deck was great. A big shout out to Sasha Newton ['16] and Kristen Overly ['15] for coming and supporting [us] even though they were out and couldn't swim. It really meant a lot to have them cheering for us there," Simpson added.

Newton said, "Cheering for my team is always fun because I'm sure to witness some phenomenal swims and many personal bests. I am so proud of my team for what we have accomplished this season already and what I know we can accomplish in the future."

The team remains grounded, however, and will continue to focus on making improvements.

"It was really a great win, but we will continue training as hard," said Zhao.

This Saturday, the team will search for a repeat performance against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) in its only home meet of the season.

A.WESTFALL/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Lauren Conte '14 led Andover's 1-2-3 punch in the 100 Backstroke.

Danielle Liu '14: Three Pool Records

L.XUAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Returning to the pool after a loss earlier in the season, Andover Girls Swimming set five new records at Loomis, two of which were New England records and three of which were set by Danielle Liu '14.

How did you feel after your impressive meet?

Exhausted, but really happy and proud of the team. I think we all performed so well, and the fact that we competed in meters, which most of us are not used to, and we still did as well as we did just shows how strong our team is. We adapted and were still able to come out on top.

How does it feel to hold a New England Record?

It feels good. I mean, it's that feeling you get when you know all your hard work finally paid off—four a.m. practices, doubles, all the sacrifices I had to make for this sport. It goes to show that everything does pay off eventually and I'm glad I didn't give up, because trust me, it was tempting. Sometimes you just have to power through because it's worth it in the end, no matter how cliché that sounds, and of course, the support of my wonderful coaches, teammates and family makes everything a lot easier.

Favorite way to celebrate a win?

Food, friends, family, more food and chocolate milk. Chocolate milk is essential.

1/17/14

Andover Girls Swimming pumps up the crowd with its "Seal Cheer" before returning to the pool after the diving event.

L.XUAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

NMH Sinks, Record Toppled: Girls Dominate First and Last Home Meet

By Lara Guvelioglu
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	102.5
NMH	72.5

As her opponents were turning into their final laps, Danielle Liu '14 glided to the touchpad for a 2.07.26 finish in the 200-Yard IM, shattering the pool record set nine years earlier by a Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) swimmer.

Claiming first place in every event, Andover Girls Swimming served NMH a crushing 102.5-72.5 defeat in its first and final home meet of the season on Saturday. With many of the girls experimenting and competing in events they normally do not compete in, Andover proved the depth of its talent and versatility.

"A lot of girls tried new events or swam their off-races, so we got a little out of the comfort zone," said Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14. "What was really cool was to see wins and some pretty fast times from them, and to see girls step up and perform."

"Overall, I was most proud of the resilience and mental toughness of the whole team. I think that that is one of the most important things you need to have in sport to have big success," Simpson added.

The team opened the meet with first and second place finishes in the first three events of the day. Lauren Conte '14, Liu, Co-Captain Amy Zhao '14 and Simpson secured the win in the 200-Yard Medley Relay in 1:51:32. Katherine Sweetser '17 and Conte claimed the top two times in the 200-Yard Free, followed by Liu and Corinna Torabi '14 in the 200 IM.

Andover's younger swimmers showed notable skill throughout the meet. Swimming the 200-Yard IM for the first time, Jeannine Moreau '16 placed fourth with an impressive time of 2:33.82, just under a second behind NMH's first place swimmer.

"Our team swam and dove really well," said Head Coach Paul Murphy. "We had some season bests, but overall, we are in the depths of our training and we don't expect amazing time drops at this time of the year. We are on course for a great 41st season of Girls Varsity Swimming and Diving."

Andover won the 50-Yard Free, with Soubie Im '15 taking third place in a close tie with an NMH opponent. Elizabeth Duserick '16 claimed first and Sloane Sambuco '16 placed fifth, earning the team a total of 9.5 points compared to NMH's 6.5.

The swimming portion of the meet was briefly interrupted by the diving competition. Although NMH lacked any diving competitors, Andover Diving still took to the pool. After the diving interlude, Zhao, Sweetser and Morgan Rooney '17 returned to the pool to sweep the top three places in the 100-Yard Fly.

Andover finished off the meet by claiming first and second in the final scored event of the day, the 200-Yard Freestyle Relay. Zhao, Duserick, Sweetser and Simpson finished just five seconds before Conte, Moreau, Evelyn Liu '15 and Torabi.

Now with a record of 2-1-0, Andover looks to continue its winning streak against perennially tough opponent Deerfield (3-3-0) on Saturday.

1/24/14

J.BECKWITH/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Catherine Wang '14 executes a dive as her teammates watch from the pool deck.

Duserick '16 Finishes With Personal Best

By Lara Guvelioglu
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	106
Deerfield	80

Co-Captain Kaitlin Simpson '14 flew past her opponents in the 100-Yard Fly. She tapped the touchpad and stopped the clock at 59.62 for a decisive first place finish. Just in her wake, Elizabeth Duserick '16 nailed a third place finish with a personal best time of 1:04.36.

Returning home with yet another victory and more than 20 season bests, Andover Girls Swimming and Diving beat Deerfield 106-80.

The team kicked off the meet with first and third place finishes from the 200-Yard Medley Relay teams. Simpson, Danielle Liu '14, Katherine Sweetser '17 and Co-Captain Amy Zhao '14 placed first with a time of 1:50.85, just 71 milliseconds short of the record set in 2002. Sasha Newton '16, Evelyn Liu '15, Morgan Rooney '17 and Jeanine Moreau '16 came in third with 2:02.88.

Danielle Liu returned to the pool for first place in the 200-Yard Free, with Lauren Conte '14 hot on her heels with a season best time of 2:03.45 that placed her second. Simpson followed with a season best in the 200-Yard IM, backed by Rooney and Corinna Torabi '14 in third and fourth place finishes just 33 milliseconds apart.

"Deerfield is always a fun team to go against because they will not give away easy wins. We swam hard and came away with a lot of seasons best times," said Simpson.

After a swift 24.79 win from Zhao in the 50-Yard Freestyle Meanwhile, divers Mia LaRocca '16, Sabrina Rivers '14 and Catherine Wang '14 took third, fourth and fifth in the diving event.

Zhao and Sweetser claimed first and second in the 100-Yard Free with times of 52.72 and 55.66 respectively.

Returning to the pool after two and a half weeks due to an injury, Newton claimed first place in the 500-Yard Free with 5:49.80. Torabi glided to a 5:49.97 finish, just .17 seconds behind Newton for second place.

"It felt exciting to finally be back in the pool," said Newton. "I was happy with my performances considering I was only back for four days prior to the meet."

For the last event of the day, the 400-Free Relay, Duserick, Sweetser, Conte and Simpson placed first with a time of 3:46.08 and Newton, Rooney, Im and Torabi finished third with a time of 4:04.97.

"I'm pretty pumped for the next games," said Simpson. "Even though people are getting best times, I still see so many places everybody can get better, especially technique wise. If we work hard on that stuff and focus on details, times are just going to continue to drop."

The team holds a 3-1-0 record and will take on Hopkins on Saturday. 1/31/14

Girls Splash to Fourth Consecutive Victory

L.XUAN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Soubie Im '15 backstrokes to the touchpad.

By Andrew Zheng
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS EDITOR

Andover	96
Hopkins	89

Leading by only five points going into the last race, the 400-Yard Freestyle Relay, Andover Girls Swimming's Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14, along with her teammates Katherine Sweetser '17, Lauren Conte '14 and Danielle Liu '14, mustered a final effort against Hopkins. With the team's first place finish—two seconds ahead of Hopkins—Andover grabbed eight points, which enough to guarantee its fourth straight victory, 96-89.

The day started off well as Conte, Liu, Amy Zhao '17 and Simpson won the 200-Yard Medley Relay with a time of 1:51.00. Hopkins, however, took second and third place in the event, foreshadowing a close meet.

"We were expecting a difficult meet because we had heard that Hopkins was good this year," said Sabine Nix '16.

A critical moment in the meet was the diving event, in which Andover took all of the top three places, providing a 13-point swing. In respective order, the divers were Mia LaRocca '16, Sabrina River '14 and Catherine Wang '14.

Liu out swam her opponents in the 200-Yard IM by over ten seconds. Her first place finish was complemented by a third place finish from Sweeter.

In the 500-Yard Freestyle, Hopkins's Erin Earley '17 set a New England record as she blew by Andover and her own teammates to a 4:56.20 finish. Her accomplishment, however, propelled Liu to a season best of her own at 5:04.31.

Three more season bests came from Sloane Sambuco '16 and Simpson in the 100-Yard Freestyle and Elizabeth Duserick '16 in the 100-Yard Breaststroke.

Zhao captured two first place finishes of her own as she barely took the 50-Yard Freestyle by less than half a second and dominated the 100-Yard Butterfly with a time of 57.92, the only swimmer to finish in under a minute.

Although Andover came out on top, Hopkins beat out Andover in individual first place finishes, gathering five to Andover's four.

Andover made up for these losses by taking first in all three relays, displaying an emphasis on overall team improvement.

"It came down to the last relay," said Simpson. "Whoever won that would win the meet."

Swimming meets rarely come down to the wire, but the pressure and cheers of the girls helped motivate the relay team to victory.

On Saturday, Andover will take on archrival Exeter, hoping to extend its winning streak before Eastern's the following week. 2/7/14

Kait Simpson and Amy Zhao

GIRLS SWIMMING

By Andreas Tonckens
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a combined six years of competing for Andover, Varsity Girls Swimming Co-Captains Kait Simpson '14 and Amy Zhao '14 are well prepared for the home stretch of their final season of high school competition. With only a meet at Exeter before Easterns and Nationals, the captains of the Andover Girls Swimming team are looking to step up and make one last push with their driven team.

Coming into the last three weeks of the season with a 4-1 standing and having broken numerous records, including one All-New England, Andover looks poised to finish strong. The work of the two captains has proved invaluable for the team's success this season.

"Kait and Amy have been phenomenal captains—some of the very best I have had in my 23 seasons with this team. They have invigorated this year's team with a renewed sense of fun and purpose. They know all the kids on the team well—and they still made time to make sure their own contributions to the team were top rate!... We have been fortunate to have great leaders this year. It has made an enormous difference," said Coach Paul Murphy.

Strong team chemistry has played a vital role in this season's success, due in large part to the leadership provided by the two captains.

"Amy and Kait really put in a lot of effort this year to help team bonding," said Kay Xia '15. "They organized multiple team activities, such as a laser tag trip, a photo scavenger hunt and many secret psyches. At the start of the season, they secretly made little posters with funny photos of everyone to stick on our lockers."

Zhao, a seasoned four-year Varsity swimmer, noted that this has been a special year for the team, both in and out of the pool. "This season has been amazing. We've seen great in-season times, which is an indicator of the fast swims to come at championships. More importantly, I cannot emphasize how wonderful the girls are," said Zhao.

"There's no team on campus that has as much fun as us. Period," said Simpson of the team chemistry. "Having fun is by far the most important thing. But my biggest focus is on motivating the girls to get out of their comfort zones in training and challenge themselves to do things they have never tried before. I take training seriously and do my best to lead by example," she added.

Looking ahead to Exeter, Easterns and New England's, there is no dearth of confidence or team spirit.

"We're super pumped up for our last three meets of this season. Our last dual meet of the season will be incredibly exciting. Exeter sports a strong lineup and the meet looks to be a very even matchup. But, I think we have the better team, in terms of not only speed, but also of team spirit and character. Our main focus, however, will be on New England's, which is our last meet of this season. Of course, winning is a major focus, but for us, the excitement of racing and being there for each other are what matter the most," Zhao said.

Simpson said, "The team dynamic is kind of like a rainbow, there have been some lows and highs and lots of colours in between, but we've definitely found the gold at the end. We've become closer than close and have had some pretty wild times together."

With the season winding down, both captains are well aware that this is their last chance to prove something in the pool.

Simpson, a two-year Senior from Canada, is set to swim next year at Tulane University in Louisiana, but she is keeping her sights set on finishing her high school career with a bang. "I'm excited for the next few weeks of this season because this is where we will see best times that everyone has been working for all season. I'd really like to see some school relay records fall too," said Simpson.

On her last three weeks of swimming for Andover, Zhao said, "It's definitely bittersweet. I've been swimming on this team for the past four years and moving on is tough, but I know the team is in great shape for the future. In these coming few weeks, I would like to enjoy every moment I spend with these girls: training in our homey pool, racing to [Paresky] Commons after practice, singing (loudly and off-key) on bus rides, and cheering for each other, to name a few." Zhao will swim next year at Yale University.

2/14/14

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Danielle Liu '14 raced to a record 1:07.96 time.

Another Record for Liu

By Andreas Tonckens
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One minute, seven seconds, and 96 milliseconds. That was all the time it took for Danielle Liu '14 to finish the 100-breaststroke. It was also the time it took her to set a new Andover-Exeter record by 0.08 seconds. With her third A/E record, Liu added to the 11 total season-best times achieved by members of Andover's Girls Swimming team.

Despite Liu's stellar performance, Andover came up short 104.5-81.5.

"I think that the most important thing is that we had loads of fun up at Exeter and we also had some really nice season best times," said Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14.

Continued Simpson, "I don't want to say that it [the loss] doesn't bother me, but at the same time I think that some of our amazing individual performances overshadowed the loss."

Swimmers with season-best times included Simpson (2), Soubi Im '15 (2), Katherine Sweetser '16 (2), Corinna Torabi '14, Elizabeth Duserick '16 (2), Evelyn Liu '15, Kay Xia '15, Lauren Conte '14 and Sabine Nix '16.

Andover placed first in the 200-Medley Relay, the 200-Free, the 200-IM, the 100-Butterfly, the 100-Free, the 200-Free Relay and the 100-Breaststroke.

Sabrina Rivers '14 finished third with a score of 154 and Malka Berro '14 took fifth with a score of 129 in the diving portion of the meet.

Following an undefeated regular season last year, Andover finished 4-3 this year. "I guess it is kind of disappointing to finish the year like this. Coming off a really strong year, we hoped we'd be able to carry the momentum into this year," said Simpson.

Despite being unsatisfied with her last regular season meet, Simpson found the silver lining in the season. "Given the relative inexperience of the team, I think that this season has gone really well and it will be an important learning experience for some of our talented young swimmers," she said.

Andover left yesterday for LaSalle University in Philadelphia, PA to compete today and tomorrow in the Eastern Championships, hosted by Germantown Academy. Win or lose, the real prize comes the next weekend, as Captains Amy Zhao '14 and Kait Simpson, along with seven other seniors, look to capture the New England Championship in the last Andover meet of their careers.

2/21/14

New England Records

Boys: 400-Yard Freestyle Relay: Marcello Rossi '16, Joe Faller '14, Tim Wynter '14, Michael Camarda '14 in 3:05.28. Broke Exeter record from 2012.

200 -Yard Medley Relay: Tim Wynter '14, Scott Simpson '14, Joe Faller '14, Michael Camarda '14 in 1:31.86.

Girls: 400 -Yard Medley Relay: Danielle Liu '14, Katherine Sweetser '16, Kait Simpson '14 and Amy Zhao '14 in 3:29.64. Beat record by 1.85 seconds.

200 -Yard Freestyle: Danielle Liu '14 1:50.03 beat old record of 1:50.80

Liu Shatters Three Records

By Andreas Tonckens
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Danielle Liu '14, Katherine Sweetser '16, Kait Simpson '14 and Amy Zhao '14 captured first place and the New England record in the 400-Yard Medley Relay with a time of 3:29.64, shattering the previous record by 1.85 seconds.

The team posted three new school records and another New England record. The 400-Yard Relay record, however, was short-lived. As the Andover swimmers jumped back into the pool to celebrate, the judges convened. Shortly after, the verdict came out: Andover's 400-Yard Medley Relay A-team was disqualified for re-entering the water without permission.

At the end of the two-day event Andover finished in sixth place with 167 points. Despite being disappointed with the outcome, the team posted numerous personal and season best times.

Liu, who is committed to swim at Yale next year, repeated her success from last year's meet by breaking two individual records in the 100-Yard Breaststroke and the 200-Yard Free.

"I was overjoyed. I can't even put it into words," said Liu.

"Going into the meet, I did have my eyes set on the school and New England records... Going into a race with the confidence and knowledge that you've trained all you could for this and you're capable of it, you feel like you can do anything and it makes actually reaching the goal that much sweeter," she continued.

Head Coach Paul Murphy, who is in his 23rd year of coaching, said, "Danielle is one of the most versatile swimmers we have had since Hee-Jin Chang '05. She is a powerful competitor who combines a great sense of humor with focused attention to her swimming. We will miss Danielle."

In the 200-Yard Medley Relay, in which Liu, Sweetser, Simpson and Zhao, who formed the 400-Yard Relay team, returned to the pool, Andover took home second place with a new school record. The team also saw double-digit individual personal best times for the second week in a row.

With only the New England Championships ahead, the team is looking to build on its performance for this weekend.

"It was a rough ending to the meet, but we're looking ahead to next weekend at New Englands. Hopefully, we'll lock up a top four finish and cap off this really amazing season with some hardware," said Simpson.

Murphy said, "[We] hope to be in the top three at New Englands! We have stiff competition from Suffield, Exeter and Choate."

Seniors Liu, Simpson, Zhao, Lauren Conte, Corinna Torabi and Mary Catherine Nanda are not lacking any emotions heading into the last meet of their high school careers.

"I'm so proud to be apart of such a great group of girls, and to call them my teammates is unreal because they are truly amazing. Honestly, this season was incredible, and I'm definitely going to cry because I'm just going to miss them so much," said Liu.

Andover Girls Swimming will head to Hotchkiss this weekend to bid for the New England Championship title.

2/25/14

Sport: Diving

Year: 2014

Coach: Belinda Canavan

LETTER WINNERS

Belluche, John
Call, Kade
Johns, Graham
LaRocca, Mia
Rivers, Sabrina
Wang, Catherine

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Diving
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Bakken, Thomas	2014	Seattle, WA
Belluche, John	2016	Andover, MA
Berro, Malka	2014	New Haven, CT
Call, Kade	2014	Haverhill, MA
Grottkau, Matthew	2017	Reading, MA
Johns, Graham	2014	Glen Ridge, NJ
Kim, Junyeol	2014	Franklin Lakes, NJ
LaRocca, Mia	2016	Concord, MA
MacFarlane, Dorothy	2015	Dallas, TX
Rivers, Sabrina	2014	Greenwich, CT
Wang, Catherine	2014	Reading, MA
Williams, Shani	2015	East Orange, NJ

Coach: Belinda Canavan

Sport: Boys Track

Year: 2014

Captains: Jonathan Arone, Matthew Fischetti

Coach: Corbin Lang

LETTER WINNERS

Arone, Jonathan
Diekema, Scott
Fischetti, Matthew
Gorton, John
LeBoeuf, Foster
Legaspi, Josiah
Mackall, Gray
Marshall, Tyler
Monaghan, Patrick
Osborn, Matthew
Skinner, Ralph
Sundaram, Kailash
Whittall, Ian

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Track
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Anderson, Thayer	2015	Andover, MA
Arone, Jonathan*	2014	Boxford, MA
Beckwith, Benjamin	2015	Andover, MA
Beckwith, Jakob	2017	Andover, MA
Bergstein, William	2016	Greenwich, CT
Brigden, Ryan	2015	Menlo Park, CA
Brown, Ethan	2017	Bethel, CT
Burnett, Thomas	2015	Bedford, MA
Chacon, Jonathan	2014	Arlington, VA
Chavez, Diego	2016	College Point, NY
Cruz, Christian	2016	Dorchester, MA
Diekema, Scott	2014	Iowa City, IA
Doran, Arthur	2015	Natick, MA
Elliott-Higgins, John	2014	Boxford, MA
Feeny, Daniel	2015	Woodside, CA
Findlay, Whitney	2016	Sudbury, MA
Fischetti, Matthew*	2014	Groton, MA
Flynn, James	2016	New York, NY
Ford, Jumaane	2016	Brooklyn, NY
Freeland, Devontae	2015	Piscataway, NJ
Geng, Frank	2015	Andover, MA
Godo-Solo, Dakoury	2017	Andover, MA
Goldberg, Dustin	2016	Port Monmouth, NJ
Gorton, John	2015	New York, NY
Hartemink, E. William	2017	Katy, TX
Henderson, Joshua	2015	Raleigh, NC
Isenhower, John	2016	Burke, VA
Jackson, Ian	2016	Chapel Hill, NC
Jiang, Alexander	2015	Houston, TX
Jonas, Avery	2016	Brooklyn, NY
Kochakian, Nicholas	2015	North Andover, MA
Lawlor, John	2017	Salem, NH
LeBoeuf, Foster	2015	Beverly, MA
Legaspi, Josiah	2014	Andover, MA
Mackall, Gray	2015	Santa Barbara, CA
Manos, Andreas	2016	Lincoln, MA
Marshall, Tyler	2014	Andover, MA
McGovern, Paul	2015	Methuen, MA
McGuiggin, Bryan	2015	Andover, MA
McIntosh, Ethan	2015	Lexington, MA
Monaghan, Patrick	2014	Gillette, NJ
Ofori, Gustav	2017	Bronx, NY
Osborn, Matthew	2015	Mid-Levels, HKG
Otis, Julian	2016	Beverly Hills, CA
Pena, Joel Anthony	2016	Princeton, NJ
Reid, William	2015	New Canaan, CT
Rex, John	2017	Andover, MA
Robert, BrianPaul	2016	North Reading, MA
Skinner, Ralph	2016	Lowell, MA
Stacy, Charles	2016	Bayville, NY
Sundaram, Kailash	2015	Andover, MA
Vardar, Cem	2015	Istanbul, TUR
Venigalla, Abhinav	2015	Lakeland, FL
Wang, Andrew	2016	Houston, TX
Ward, Noah	2017	North Hampton, NH
Whittall, Ian	2014	Guilford, CT
Zhang, Benjamin	2017	Andover, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Corbin Lang

Managers: Eleanor Blum '15, Meera Patel '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/11 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's /Wilbraham/Hyde (ME)	H	Game	PA 60, WM 72, GA 17, Hyde 4
1/19 @ 10:00 AM	GBTC- Open Invitational		Game	No score, invitational meet
1/22 @ 3:15 PM	Andover HS/Wilbraham	H	Game	PA 61, WM 50, AHS 12
1/29 @ 3:15 PM	Governor's/Hyde (CT)/Wilbraham	H	Game	PA 81.5, WM 78.5, GA 10, HYDE 11
2/12 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	PA 31 PEA 73
2/23 @ 9:00 AM	USATF- NE Championships		Game	No team score

Sport: Girls Track

Year: 2014

Captain: Diana Tchadi

Coach: Corbin Lang

LETTER WINNERS

Blum, Eleanor
Chazen, Zoe
Gangi, Taryn
Huang, Jenny
Jarvis, Charlie
Lefft, Alexis
Little, Camille
Patel, Meera
Pimentel, Shanice
Tackett, Evelyn
Tao, Meghan
Tchadi, Diana
Tobeason, Katherine
Tope, S. Graydon
Wayne, Alysandria
Yost, Kinsey
Zhang, Sharon

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Track
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown	Name	Year	Hometown
Abedi, Roya	2017	Irvine, CA	Marsh, Deyana	2017	Middleton, MA
Ballard-Rossiter, Alice	2017	London, ENG	Mastrangelo, Savannah	2016	Topsfield, MA
Chazen, Zoe	2014	New York, NY	Miller, Soleil	2017	Windsor, VT
Chen, Janet	2017	Monmouth Junction, NJ	Pimentel, Shanice	2014	Boston, MA
Chou, Amy	2016	Bozeman, MT	Saxena, Juhi	2016	Lynnfield, MA
Davis, Margaret	2017	Andover, MA	Schmidt, Mikayla	2017	Tyngsboro, MA
Dolan, Angela	2016	Andover, MA	Shehadeh, Anoush	2015	Larchmont, NY
Gangi, Taryn	2016	Methuen, MA	Tackett, Evelyn	2015	Coxs Creek, KY
Hannam, Grace	2017	London, ENG	Tang, Angela	2016	West Linn, OR
Holder, Sidney	2017	West Orange, NJ	Tao, Meghan	2015	Andover, MA
Huang, Jenny	2016	Leawood, KS	Tchadi, Diana*	2014	Iowa City, IA
Humes, Alana	2015	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN	Tobeason, Katherine	2014	Bedford Hills, NY
Jarvis, Charlie	2015	Watertown, MA	Tope, Samantha	2014	Minneapolis, MN
Kaufmann-LaDuc, Emma	2017	Andover, MA	Wayne, Alysandria	2014	Lowell, MA
Lefft, Alexis	2016	Lake Wylie, SC	Yost, Kinsey	2015	Lake Oswego, OR
Lin, Samantha	2016	Scarsdale, NY	Zhang, Sharon	2016	Portland, OR
Little, Camille	2016	West Bloomfield, MI	Zhang, Sophie	2017	Andover, MA

**Captain*

Coach: Corbin Lang

Managers: Eleanor Blum '15, Meera Patel '15

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/11/13 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's/Wilbraham-Monson/Hyde (ME)	H	Game	PA 56; GA 69; W-M 25; Hyde 6
1/19 @ 10:00 AM	GBTC- Open Invitational		Game	No scores; Invitational
1/22 @ 3:15 PM	Andover HS/Wilbraham	H	Game	PA 68, WM 31, AHS 25
1/29 @ 3:15 PM	Governor's/Hyde (CT)/Wilbraham	H	Game	PA 77, WM 43, GA 52, HYDE 6
2/12 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	PA 55, PEA 49
2/23 @ 9:00 AM	USATF- NE Championships		Game	no team score

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Foster LeBoeuf '15 leaps to third place in the high jump.

Boys and Girls Take Second In Time Trial Meet

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Looking to bounce back from its 1-2 record from last season, Andover Indoor Track hopes to have a breakout season and eventually reach its ultimate goal of winning the NEPSAC Championship.

The Captain of Girls Track, Diana Tchadi '14, has high expectations for some of the team's young members.

"Camille Little '16 is going to have a breakout season after having a great [Junior] year. She broke so many records last year and without a doubt will be a Division 1 runner," said Tchadi.

"Kinsey Yost ['15] will also do great things for us, she took a gap year from track, but now she is back and ready to go. Zoe Chazen ['14] is new as well and she is going to take the distance role by storm. Having never done it before, she beat our number one distance runner today," Tchadi continued.

Girls Track started off its season with a strong performance as it faced Governor's Academy and Hyde this past Wednesday, placing second.

Chazen was able to take first place in the time trial meet. She won the mile, finishing eight seconds before Andover's Aly Wayne '14 and Grayden Tope '14.

Yost was able to take second place in the Girls Long Jump today with a ferocious leap, marked at 13 ft. 11 in.

Despite first place finishes in the 50 yard dash by Charlie Jarvis '15, the shot put by Alexis Lefft '16, the 4 by 400 and the 300 yard dash; Andover finished in second place overall, 13 points behind Governor's, which took first place.

Andover used its meet as a learning opportunity heading into the rest of its season, leading to its main goal: seeking revenge on Exeter after losing last year 61-43.

"Our goal is to go undefeated throughout the season, there were some events we didn't run today, such as hurdles and two mile and a few others, with those points we would have easily won today. Today's time trials don't count as a part of our record. That being said we are ready to work hard over break and it will give us an advantage and help us win the rest of our meets," said Tchadi.

Boys Track has comparable expectations for its upcoming season. Andover's core comes from its tremendous leadership.

"The strongest aspect of our team this year is the Senior leadership. Our Captains are leading by example and embody what PA Track and Field is all about," said Head Coach Corbin Lang.

Extra talent added to the team's roster will help build upon a strong returning group. "The team has also added some talented athletes from the fall and spring sports that could prove to be useful this season and in the spring" said Captain Matt Fischetti '14.

Boys Track found similar results to the girls in its time trial meet, finishing 12 points shy of Wilbraham and taking second place.

Andover's Seniors took control, as Fischetti, Tyler Marshall '14, Scott Diekema '14 and Jonathan Arone '14 all placed in the top three in their respective events.

Fischetti came in second in the shot put behind Andover's Josiah Legaspi '14, whose first place throw, came in at 41 feet 5 inches.

Andover took a clean sweep of the top three places in the mile run with Ian Whittall '14 coming in first with a time of 4.52, Diekema in second at 5.01 and Ralph Skinner '16 shortly after at 5.04.

Andover's first official meet of the season is on January 18th for Boys Track and the 22nd for Girls Track in home meets against Haverhill High and Wilbraham.

12/13/13

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Shanice Pimentel '14 sticks the landing in the sandpit.

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Grace Hannam '17 takes flight for Andover Girls Indoor Track.

12/13/13

E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jonathan Arone, Diana Tchadi and Matt Fischetti

INDOOR TRACK

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Upward mobility. Those two words describe Co-Captains Diana Tchadi '14, Jonathan Arone '14 and Matthew Fischetti '14, who each worked their way up from JV to leaders of the Indoor Track team.

"Our captains are the soul of the program," said Coach Corbin Lang. "I'm sure each and everyone of them can remember a captain that helped or inspired them at some point in their athletic career. My hope is that they are that person for our team."

The distinctive leadership styles of each captain create a strong team environment.

"Tchadi gets us all fired up and ready to run fast and support each other. Fischetti is all business and teaches others that to be good at this sport you have to put in deep practice. Arone is our glue. His love of the sport and devotion to the idea that the collective can achieve more than a bunch of individuals is evident in everything he does," said Lang.

Indoor Track practices begin with the captains leading a chant, a two-lap warm up, pushups and sit-ups. The captains offer advice to runners during event-specific practices, and lead the cool down at the end of practice.

"During practice, I make sure nobody develops poor habits during drills, and I try to offer those who are able to handle it ideas for exercises that might be more advanced than what beginners might do," said Fischetti.

With a host of new young talent this year, the captains are working on instilling the fundamentals and skills the team will need to excel in the coming seasons.

"We are focusing more on just getting [the team] sprinting faster earlier in the season so that they are used to moving at top speed. Instead of using up time inefficiently on tedious drills, we are more concerned with building speed and power," said Fischetti.

Andover has a strong indoor track program; the team rarely loses a meet during the season. The captains have specific ideas for the team to maintain success.

"I'm hoping to create a greater sense of community and a lesser sense of smaller groups within the larger team. I can't wait to get to know everyone better and of course improve my times to contribute to the team's success," said Tchadi.

"I want every person on the team to show improvement consistently through each competition. My second goal is that each member of the team learns respect and gives maximum effort during training," said Fischetti.

"I'm going to help the other runners in creating goals and planning to meet those goals instead of just going into competitions without much direction," said Arone.

Andover is preparing for its second meet this Saturday for Boys Track and Wednesday for Girls Track against Haverhill High and Wilbraham after a strong performance in a trial meet in December.

"The first meet gave us good benchmark times to improve upon, and this meet will be about being ourselves—as in beating the PRs we set in the first meet. If we can all put forward our best effort, the results will come naturally," said Tchadi.

With these goals in mind, the captains will work tirelessly throughout the season in preparing the team for the main event: avenging its loss against Exeter.

"It's been a while since we've beat them. That's what us captains and most of the veteran team members are looking for," said Arone.

1/17/14

Team Wins With Inspiration From Late Coach Bill Blood

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover Track family lost a hero, role model and long time-inspiration one year ago Wednesday. In honor of Coach Bill Blood, the team dressed in "Team Blood" shirts and dedicated its first win of this season to his legacy.

With Coach Blood at the forefront of their minds, Andover Boys Track defeated Andover High and Wilbraham, 68-25-31, while Andover Girls Track defeated Andover High and Wilbraham, 61-12-50.

"[Co-Captains] Diana [Tchadi '14], Matt [Fischetti '14] and I made sure that before the meet we had time to talk to everyone about the day's significance, because for the people who knew him, he was everything: he was the program. For PA track, this meet was for more than stats and personal records," said Boys Track Co-Captain Jonathan Arone '14.

Andover Boys swept the long-distance events. Fischetti led Andover's scoring efforts, winning the 600-yard dash and the 60-meter hurdles.

"I was definitely happy with the wins. There were definitely a lot of nerves in the beginning because of the importance of the day," said Fischetti.

Scott Diekema '14 won the boys' one-mile race with a time of 4:53. "Having raced three days ago, I was just trying to keep it steady and see where it took me," said Diekema.

Ralph Skinner '16 won the 1000-yard dash with a time of 2:38.71. Ian Whitall '14 captured the two mile in a blazing 10:26.

John Gorton '15 and Kailash Sundaram '15 nabbed second in the boys one- and two-mile run, respectively.

In the 50-meter dash, Tyler Marshall '14 and Foster LeBoeuf '15 took second and third respectively.

"The captains made a really moving speech in the beginning, and it fired everyone up to have a good meet today," said LeBoeuf.

On the girls' side, Tchadi won the girls 50-meter hurdles and Zoe Chazen '14 won the girls' one-mile. A newcomer to long-distance running, Chazen has won two consecutive one-mile races.

Charlie Jarvis '15 took first in the girls 300 meter. Camille Little '16 won the 50-meter sprint with a time of 6:51 seconds.

Kinsey Yost '15 placed first in the girls' long jump, and Alexis Lefft '16 placed second in the girls' shot-put.

Tchadi's words summed up the day. "When you do sports, you are focused on winning, losing, how many points you get and all those small nuances. But, this day reminded us that they are things greater than track itself," said Tchadi. "It just reminds us that we are all here together, and we are part of one big family. Everyone is trying to embody Coach Blood's message, and, through the blood, sweat and tears, is going have their best meet, today."

On Sunday, a group of Andover Track athletes participated at the Greater Boston TC Invitational at Harvard University.

Diekema captured first in the scholastic one-mile with a time of 4:41, and Little placed second in the open 60-meter.

"I didn't know what kind of competition I'd be facing so I just went into the race hoping to stay with the leaders, and it was great to come away with [the win]," said Diekema.

Andover Track faces Governor's, Hyde and Wilbraham on Wednesday.

1/24/14

E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Foster LeBoeuf '15 leapt 5.5 feet to place fourth in the high jump.

E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14 sprinted her way to second place in the 50-meter hurdles.

Twice the Charm: Andover Wins Tri-Meet for 2-0 Record

By Fadzi Gambia
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Charging by her competitors, Camille Little '16 raced to a first-place finish in the 50-yard dash, contributing to Andover's domination on the track last Saturday.

Little's performance was one of many successes as Andover Track grabbed its second win of the year. Boys Track defeated Wilbraham, Governor's and Hyde, 81.5-78.5-10-11, respectively, while Girls Track won 77-43-52-6 in the same race.

On the Boys side, Andover continued its success in the distance events. Scott Diekema '14 grabbed first in the one-mile race with a time of 4:55. After sitting out the 2012-2013 Indoor Track season due to injury, Diekema has returned this season to capture first in two consecutive one-mile races. "I'm really thankful to be healthy again, and I hope I can continue getting stronger through the rest of the season," said Diekema.

Ian Whittall '14 raced to a first place finish in the two-mile, while Co-Captain Matt Fischetti '14 captured first in the Boys 600-yard dash and 50-yard hurdles.

Ralph Skinner '16 won the 1000-yard dash in 2:37.

Ethan McIntosh '15 placed second in the 1000-yard. dash with a time of 2:38, while Kailash Sundaram '15 took second in the two-mile in 11:19. John Gorton '15 took third in the one-mile with a time of 5:01.

"I always try to run [a] smart race and save energy for a finishing kick. Aside from that, I tried to keep Scott [Diekema] in sight for as long as I could," wrote Gorton in an email to *The Phillipian*.

In the field events, Josiah Legaspi '14 placed first in the boys' shot-put. Patrick Monaghan '14 jumped to first in the boys' pole vault with a height of 9'0".

On the girls side, Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14 placed second in the girls hurdles to continue her strong Senior campaign.

Alexis Lefft '16 took first in the girls' shot-put after placing second in the event last Wednesday.

Taryn Gangi '16 and Kinsey Yost '15 grabbed second in the 50-yard dash and 300-yard dash, respectively. Sharon Zhang '16 raced to a second place finish in the Girls' 1000-yard dash.

The girls' 4x440-yard relay team capped off the meet with a blazing time of 4:31.10 to take first place.

"It was just an all-around team effort here today. Every single person gave it their all, and you are always happy to see that with the team. Then, to grab the wins like we did is even better," said Little.

Andover will look to continue its undefeated streak when it faces rival Exeter at home on February 12.

1/31/14

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Co-Captain Matthew Fischetti '14 races in the 50-yard hurdles, parting a sea of Exeter red.

INDOOR**TRACK**

4x400 Relay Team Seals Girls' Victory over Exeter

By Fadzi Gambia
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With Andover Girls Track up by only one point at 50-49, the meet against rival school Exeter this past Wednesday came down to the final event: the 4x400 Relay.

Yearning for the victory in her last Indoor Track meet, Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14 flew by her Exeter opponent and never looked back, allowing Andover Girls Track to cap its undefeated season.

Both teams were even for much of the 4x400 Relay race. In the third leg, however, Andover fell behind after a baton drop between the second and third leg. Despite losing ground, Charlie Jarvis '15 rushed by her Exeter opponent to regain the lead.

"It was amazing. Exeter is such a good team, and the fact that it came down just to the relay was amazing. When I saw the drop, I was wondering if we were going to be disqualified, but Charlie went out and got it and did so well," said Megan Tao '15.

Despite a strong showing, the Andover Boys Track fell 73-31 to a talented Exeter team.

Camille Little '16 and Jarvis kicked off the girls' success by placing first and second, respectively, in the girls 50-yard dash. Jarvis also placed first in the 300-yard dash.

Zoe Chazen 14' took first place in the two-mile race.

In the girls' field events, Jarvis won the long jump event, and Catherine Tobeason '14 took first in the high jump event. Jenny Huang '16 tied for first in the pole vault event with a jump of 7'1". Alexis Lefft '16 took second in the Girls' shot put event.

On the boys' team, Ian Whittall '14 placed first in the two-mile run with a time of 10:03.44 and took second in the one-mile race.

"The other teams we have run against were not nearly as good competition as Exeter. So, I wasn't quite sure what to expect. So, I was just falling behind their first person because I knew I could run faster, and at the end I knew I could beat him, and I took it away," said Whittall.

Co-Capatain Matt Fischetti '14 and Foster Leboeuf '15 placed first and second in the boys high jump event, respectively. Ralph Skinner '16 placed first in the boys 1000-yard dash.

"I know Exeter is always great competition. It's always great to run against them and try to get a fast time. So, I just gave it my best shot, and when it got close to the final, I decided to give it a go," said Skinner.

Co-Captain Jonathan Arone '14 took third in the boys 50-yard dash with a personal record of 6.21 seconds. Tyler Marshall '14 placed third in the Boys 300-yard dash.

Andover Boys and Girls Track have reached the end of their regular season. Selected runners will run at USA Track and Field (USATF) Championships on February 23.

3/14/14

Sport: Varsity Wrestling

Year: 2014

Captains: James Palmer, Christian Vallis

Coach: Rich Gorham

Assistant Coaches: Kassie Archambault, Chip Dunn, Jason York

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LETTER WINNERS

Ahmad, Tasmiah
Aladin, Jonathan
Augustin, Alyssa
Blythe, Ian
Chao, Elaine
Cleveland, Alexander
Curtis, Henry
Daly, Thomas
Humphreys, Robert Davis
McGurl, Daniel
Muchnick, Justin
Palmer, James
Sheikh, Andreas
Sherr, Bennett
Simon, Matthew
Talcott, Charles
Vallis, Christian

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Wrestling
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Aggarwal, Ashok	2015	Westborough, MA
Aladin, Jonathan	2015	Ewing, NJ
Augustin, Alyssa	2015	Boonton, NJ
Block, Samuel	2014	Norwich, VT
Blythe, Ian	2016	Georgetown, MA
Cleveland, Alexander	2017	Waterford, VA
Curtis, Henry	2015	New York, NY
Daly, Thomas	2016	Weston, MA
Flynn, Isabella	2015	Andover, MA
Frankel, Ian	2015	Dallas, TX
Gottlich, H. Chase	2014	Ormond Beach, FL
Humphreys, Robert Davis	2015	Sudbury, MA
Kornegay, Jair	2015	Goodyear, AZ
Leibovitz, Alexander	2016	New York, NY
Little, John	2015	Salt Lake City, UT
Lyons, JA-Lamar	2014	San Pedro, CA
Mahaniah, Gabriel	2016	Andover, MA
Mathi, Roshan	2015	Florence, SC
McGurl, Daniel	2014	Winchester, MA
Muchnick, Justin	2016	Newport Beach, CA
Navarrete, Nicole	2015	Brooklyn, NY
Ogando, Benny	2015	Bronx, NY
Palmer, James*	2014	Concord, MA
Rauen, John	2017	Yardley, PA
Sheikh, Andreas	2015	Concord, MA
Sherr, Bennett	2017	Princeton Junction, NJ
Simon, Matthew	2014	Brooklyn, NY
Somer, Rebecca	2015	Falls Church, VA
Talcott, Charles	2014	Washington, DC
Vallis, Christian*	2014	Boxford, MA
Young, Jason	2015	Redford, MI

**Captains*

Coach: Rich Gorham
Assistant Coaches: Kassie Archambault, Chip Dunn, Jason York

Managers: Tasmiah Ahmad '14, Elaine Chao '14

Schedule and Record

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/7 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough		Game	W 49-22
12/14 @ 2:00 PM	North Andover Duals		Game	won 1, lost 2
12/18 @ 4:30 PM	Shawsheen Tech	H	Game	W 40-36
1/10 @ 6:00 PM	N.M.H.		Game	W 36-31
1/11 @ 12:00 PM	Deerfield/Hyde/Hyde	H	Game	W 62-13, 60-19, 61-15
1/15 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor		Game	L 23-52
1/18 @ 2:00 PM	Belmont Hill/ Loomis/Roxbury Latin		Game	L 21-46, 23-45, 27-40
1/22 @ 4:00 PM	Worcester	H	Game	W 69-0
1/26 @ 12:00 PM	Girls Tournament	H	Tournament	No team score
1/29 @ 4:00 PM	Governor's Academy		Game	W 64-6
2/1 @ 9:00 PM	Northern Invitational Tournament		Tournament	W 256.5; placed 1st of 16
2/7-2/8	Interschols Class A		Tournament	5th place - 178.5 pts
2/14-2/15	New Englands		Tournament	9th place
2/20-2/22	Nationals (Lehigh)		Tournament	50th place of 124

Highlights

N.M.H.

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/10/2014 1:00 PM		Game	NMH	36-31

First win over Hoggers since 2007

Deerfield/Hyde/Hyde

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/11/2014 7:00 AM	H	Game	Home	62-13, 60-19, 61-15

Andover now 4-0 in Class A League

Tabor

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/15/2014 10:30 AM		Game		23-52

Vallis collects a big win

The Big Blue wrestlers dropped a 52-23 road dual to a tough Tabor Seawolves team on Wednesday afternoon. Senior captain Christian Vallis defeated the top-ranked wrestler in New England in a close bout at 132 pounds. James Palmer, Henry Curtis and Matt Simon also had big wins.

Belmont Hill/ Loomis/Roxbury Latin

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/18/2014 9:00 AM		Game	Loomis	21-46, 23-45, 27-40

Vallis remains undefeated

Facing their toughest competition of the season, the Big Blue wrestlers dropped three duals in a quad meet held at Loomis Chaffee on Saturday, falling to Loomis 45-23, Roxbury Latin 40-27 and Belmont Hill 46-21. Co-captains Christian Vallis '14 and James Palmer '14 both went 3-0 on the day, as did Dan McGurl '14. Vallis remains unbeaten on the year at 13-0 and has 90 career wins. Palmer won a thrilling bout over his rival from Belmont Hill, 5-4 in triple overtime.

Worcester

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/22/2014 11:00 AM	H	Game	home	69-0

Palmer wins in OT

In his final performance on home mats, senior captain James Palmer won a thrilling overtime match to highlight Andover's dual meet win over Worcester Academy.

Girls Tournament

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/26/2014 7:00 AM	H	Tournament		No team score

Four Big Blue wrestlers place

Phillips Academy played host to the first annual (we hope) Girls' Wrestling tournament on Sunday, January 26th. The tournament was open to female wrestlers from prep schools across New England. Teams from Williston, Canterbury, NMH and Hotchkiss made the trip to Andover. Numbers were low but enthusiasm was high. Four Big Blue wrestlers earned place finishes in their division: Alyssa Augustin '15 was 1st, Rebecca Somer '15 was 2nd, Nicole Navarette '15 3rd and Bella Flynn '15 was 4th. Andover assistant coach and former star wrestler Kassie Archambault '06 served as tournament director.

Governor's Academy

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
1/29/2014 11:00 AM		Game	Gov's	64-6

Alladin's pin a highlight

The Big Blue wrestlers improved to 9-6 on the season with a road victory over The Governor's Academy. Elijiah Alladin '15 wrestled his best match of the season in earning a pin at 160 pounds.

Northern Invitational Tournament

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/1/2014 4:00 PM		Tournament	Hyde-Maine	256.5

Andover crowns four champions

The Big Blue wrestling team placed first out of 16 teams competing at the Northern Invitational Wrestling Tournament held at the Hyde-Maine School on Saturday. Andover finished with 256.5 points to outdistance runner-up Lawrence Academy's 188.0. Four wrestlers claimed individual titles: Bennet Shett '17, Andreas Shiekh '15, Christian Vallis '14 and Dan McGurl '14. Vallis won his fourth Northern title in as many years. McGurl won a thrilling finals bout in ultimate tiebreaker. Nine other Andover wrestlers placed, including runners-up Tom Daly '16, James Palmer '14, Henry Curtis '15, Charlie Talcott '14 and Matt Simon '14.

Interschols Class A

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/8/2014 4:00 PM		Tournament	Loomis	5th place - 178.5

Simon wins Class A title!

The Big Blue wrestlers turned in a fine performance in placing fifth as a team at the 51st Class A Wrestling championships held at Loomis on Saturday. Andover's total of 178.5 points was just 20.5 points behind team champion Loomis in one of the closest league tournaments in history. Matt Simon '14 became Andover's 79th Class A champion by taking home the 220lb title. Nine other Big Blue wrestlers claimed place finishes, including Bennet Sherr '17 3rd place, Andreas Shiekh '15 3rd place, Christian Vallis '14 2nd place, Justin Muchnik '16 2nd place, Elijiah Aladin '15 6th place, James Palmer '14 2nd place, Henry Curtis '15 4th place, Charlie Talcott '14 3rd place, and Dan McGurl '14 4th place. Nine Andover wrestlers have qualified to compete at the Prep New England tournament next weekend at the Brooks School.

New Englands

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/15/2014 1:00 PM	[redacted]	Tournament	Brooks School	9th place

Nationals up next

The Big Blue wrestlers placed five competitors in the top eight at the New England Prep School championships held at The Brooks School. Senior co-captain Christian Vallis led the way with a second place performance at 132 pounds. Vallis reached the New England finals all four of his years as an Andover wrestler. Fellow co-captain James Palmer placed fourth at 170 pounds in a deep weight class. Senior Matt Simon was fourth at 220, senior Dan McGurl fifth at 285 and Junior Bennet Sherr seventh at 113. All five of Andover's placers qualified to compete at the National Prep School tournament next weekend at Lehigh University. As a team, the Big Blue finished in ninth place of the 46 competing teams.

Nationals (Lehigh)

DATE/TIME	HOME/AWAY	TYPE	FIELD LOCATION	SCORE
2/22/2014 7:00 AM	[redacted]	Tournament	Lehigh University	50th place of 124

Vallis becomes PA first three-time place winner

Christian Vallis '14 became the first Andover wrestler to ever place three times at the National Prep School Wrestling Tournament with his eighth place performance at 132 pounds. Competing in the deepest weight in the tournament (twelve returning place winners), Vallis won four bouts against tough competition. In his most important victory, he rallied from a 2-0 deficit to win 4-2 in the last 30 seconds of the match. Vallis placed eighth as a Junior, reached the Round of 12 as a Lower and placed sixth as an Upper. He ends his PA career with 105 wins, second all-time in school history behind Dan Shvartsman '02 (108). Fellow Senior co-captain James Palmer won three matches and reached the round of 12 at 170 pounds. Junior Bennet Sherr gained valuable experience while competing at 113 pounds, dropping a heart-breaking 3-2 loss in the consolation round.

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Justin Muchnick '16 locks an opponent in the team's season opener.

Andover Dominates the Mat

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Quickly pinning his opponent, Bennet Sherr '17 aided Andover Boys Wrestling in toppling Noble and Greenough 49-22 it its season opener on Saturday.

"We focused on the fundamentals, sticking to what we know best, like half nelsons, double leg takedowns," said Tom Daly '16 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

"Regardless of the outcome, everyone wrestled a gutsy match," said Alex Rubin '14, "We're a fairly technically sound team but we showed our capacity to work hard for a win."

Last year, the young team struggled to find its footing, finishing the season 5-6-0 but showing improvement with an impressive 11th of 46 at Nationals. This year, the team boasts a promising lineup led by Co-Captain James Palmer '14 and Christain Vallis '14, who earned the title of All-American as the top ranked New England wrestler in his weight class last season.

"This year, we've got some great new additions to the team and the returners are working hard and taking a new mindset this year. Our lineup is looking consistent, so we're hoping for a good dual meet season," Rubin added.

Sherr's skill and quick thinking on the mat in his first game of the season are indicative of the promising talent and enthusiasm pervading the team.

"I was definitely a little nervous before the match but I was also really pumped up for it," said Sherr. "It was my first varsity high school match and I wanted to do well."

Andover hopes for another strong performance against North Andover this Saturday. 12/13/13

Shawsheen Redemption Raises Record to 3-2

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	40
Shawsheen	36
Andover	70
Andover High	12
Andover	30
Brooks	43
Andover	24
North Andover	51

With the match on the line, Justin Muchnick '16 stepped up to the mat to face off against his Shawsheen opponent. What started off as an intense matchup at the 152-pound weight class ended with bruised ribs, as Muchnick was thrown into the wall. Deemed an illegal move by the referee, the underhand tactic granted Andover the 40-36 win.

Andover Wrestling's win over Shawsheen on December 18 brought its record to 3-2 after going 1-2 in a quad meet on December 14.

Charlie Talcott '14 also contributed with a decisive 15-3 win.

In the first match of the quad meet, titled the "North Andover Duals," Andover fell to Brooks by a close score of 30-43.

Andover's second loss came at the hands of North Andover High, 24-51.

Despite the two losses, Andover's Co-Captains shone. Christian Vallis '14 brought Andover close with a pin 1:19 into his match against Brooks, and James Palmer '14 pinned his North Andover opponent in the 35th second.

Redemption came in the final match of the quad meet when Andover beat Andover High School. Losing only two matches, one of which was a forfeit, Andover dominated 72-12.

"I feel we have done well so far. The team has shown intensity during practice, and it has shown with some great wins already this year," wrote Vallis in an email to *The Phillipian*.

The team, however, knows that it must continue to work harder in order to find the same success it had against Andover High School.

"I got absolutely destroyed and pinned with two seconds left in the second period. I could probably have worked a little harder on bottom, there were some times where I could have gotten an escape but I got mat-returned," wrote Bennet Sherr '17 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Vallis has committed to wrestle at Johns Hopkins University, a testament to Andover's talent and potential.

"I'm absolutely pumped to wrestle at Hopkins. It's exciting to know that I will be able to continue my wrestling career at such a prestigious school," said Vallis.

The team hopes this excitement will be contagious and will give Andover the energy it needs to grab a win against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Friday.

"With NMH on Friday we're going to need to work on taking it to our opponents and being aggressive like we were against Shawsheen," said Sherr. 1/10/14

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Christian Vallis '14 was ranked the top wrestler in New England in his weight class last year.

Wrestling Defeats NMH for First Time in Five Years, Falls to Tabor

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	36
NMH	31

Andover	23
Tabor	52

Tom Daly '16 swiftly pulled out a one-point victory over his Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) opponent in in an extremely close meet last Friday. Andover squeezed in a victory against NMH for the first time in five years.

"NMH is always a big rivalry. We were certainly pumped up and ready to take it to them this year. We worked pretty hard and were hungry for a win, which we got from a total team effort," wrote Justin Muchnick '16 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

The 36-31 victory kicked off a successful week for Andover, finishing with an impressive 4-1 record and falling 52-23 only to seasoned opponent Tabor on Wednesday. At the quad match on Saturday, Andover used its home field advantage to sweep Deerfield, Hyde School Maine and Hyde School Connecticut 62-13, 62-19 and 61-15 respectively.

"This was a good meet for us to have. It probably won't be our hardest meet of the year, but it reveals to us some of what we're made of as a team, and can be good for building confidence going into what might be our toughest week before postseason," said Henry Curtis '15 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Andover's five pins against NMH set the tone for the rest of the weekend. Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 finished his opponent in the first 30 seconds, and Dan McGurl '14 was able to dig deep to pin his opponent in the third minute of the match.

Taking control of the quad meet the next day, Andover lost only three matches and pinned four of its opponents against Deerfield.

"Many of the younger wrestlers contributed strong matches against good opponents and came up clutch," wrote James Palmer '14 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Newcomer to the team Bennett Sherr '17 had a breakout match against Hyde School Maine, pinning his opponent in the first 44 seconds.

Andover continued to show its strong ability to pin its opponents against Hyde School Maine, in which it pinned five of its eight opponents and took home six victories.

Tabor, however, ended Andover's five-game win streak on Wednesday. "We are facing one of the tougher teams in New England," said Curtis.

With an impressive 7-3 record, Andover hopes to regain its footing and winning spirit at its quad match this Saturday against Belmont Hill, Roxbury Latin and Loomis Chaffee.

"If everyone does as well as they can in their own personal matches and commits to wrestling aggressively we may have a chance to take it to them," said Curtis. 1/17/14

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Sam Block '14 shows off his match-winning smile after pinning his opponent in less than 30 seconds.

Andover Wrestling prepares for its second quad-meet of the season.

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Bouncing Back from Winless Weekend, Team Shuts Out Worcester

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	27
Roxbury Latin	40
Andover	21
Belmont Hill	46
Andover	23
Loomis	45
Andover	69
Worcester	0

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James Palmer '14 tied his match with 0.3 seconds left in regulation and won his match in 2OT.

Down by three points, Charlie Talcott '14 kicked into high gear. He ignored his opponent's trash talk and completed a five-point swing. Talcott then pushed even harder and beat his opponent from Belmont Hill 11-9 in an overtime match.

Although Talcott and Andover Wrestling fought hard against Belmont Hill, Loomis Chaffee and Roxbury Latin this past Saturday, the team lost all three matches.

The disappointment, however, did not last long as Andover annihilated Worcester Academy later in the week.

Despite the unfavorable results on Saturday, six spectacular displays of resilience occurred when Co-Captains Christian Vallis '14 and James Palmer '14 went undefeated in the quad meet.

The three wins extended Vallis's undefeated season record to 13 wins.

"When I think about how we could improve, the first thing that comes to mind is conditioning. Wrestling one match is difficult, but wrestling three in one day is downright brutal," said Talcott.

After the tough losses, the team seemed reach a general consensus regarding the importance of fitness for future matches.

Bennett Sherr '17 agreed with Talcott and added, "[We need to work on] conditioning and keeping the intensity the entire match. We burnt out in the third period. If we want a successful tournament season, we need to stay aggressive the entire match and not start sucking wind while we're in the match."

"We saw it in the duals, the kids who stayed intense and aggressive and had energy left in the last couple seconds to squeeze out a last second escape won," continued Sherr.

The team has been working on perfecting its inside switches, which it hopes will be very useful late in matches when Andover need to dig deep and find the little energy remaining.

"We're focusing on wrestling smart and making sure the intensity level is always up at practice so that we can be ready for tournament season," wrote Justin Muchnick '16 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Andover had an opportunity for redemption in Wednesday's home meet against Worcester. Six forfeits amongst the eight Worcester players that traveled to the meet proved to be the deciding factor, as the team cruised to 69-0 victory.

"Its easy to underestimate a team like Worcester when they only put 8 guys on the mat but we maintained our focus and beat some tough guys," said Tom Daly '16.

"I think our team's biggest strength is our leadership—not only our two captains, but a couple other guys. Even some rookies have stepped up this season," said Talcott.

Andover Will Host All-Girls Wrestling Tournament

STAFF REPORT

This Sunday, Andover Wrestling will host the first ever all-girls' tournament among New England prep schools. According to Head Wrestling Coach Rich Gorham, 20 wrestlers from eight schools are expected to participate.

According to Gorham, Andover Wrestling has a history of strong female participation, continuously having girls on the team since 1993. Current Coach Kassie Archambault '06 made league history as the first girl to place at an interschols tournament after claiming second place in the Class A Interscholastic Tournament in 2004.

She is also the first female coach among New England prep schools, according to Gorham.

Among the four girls currently in the Wrestling program, Varsity wrestler Alyssa Augustin '15 toppled all the other girls in the league as the girls' New England Champion last year.

The tournament will both serve as valuable game experience for the girls and increase awareness about wrestling's co-ed nature.

"We have done many things as a school to move away from the whole notion that wrestling is a 'boys" sport. If you look on the website, all of the other team pages say BV or GV, whereas wrestling is just listed as Varsity or JV," said Archambault.

"I try to talk to junior girls' dorms about wrestling as a winter sport option," she continued. "I tell them several things- that I think, regardless of what sport they choose, that every female should have some basic knowledge of self defense, and wrestling can offer that. Wrestling is a sport that teaches discipline, mental toughness, and sportsmanship."

She added, "It's a sport that you can begin in high school with no experience and work your way up to the varsity level. There is no better place than PA to try wrestling- the coaches and the team are very supportive."

Rebecca Somer '15 said, "I think everyone should be a wrestler, because it's an incredible feeling to be using so many muscles at once."

"It's a really great way to release your energy, and I always feel good even if it's been a bad day because of how supportive the team is," she added.

The Girls Tournament will take place in the gym at 10 a.m. on Sunday. 1/24/14

Andover Pins Four Of Six Opponents

By Ryan Simard
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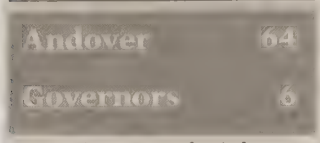

Justin Muchnick '16 cleanly executed a Crossface Cradle to pin his opponent, carefully maneuvering his opponent's body by latching an arm across his opponent's face and onto the opposite shoulder. Muchnick's 1:37 pin landed Andover one of its four pins on Wednesday, crushing Governors 64-6 and tacking on the team's ninth win of the season.

Andover pinned four of Governor's six wrestlers and lost only one match, showing great improvement and depth of skill.

Resilience proved essential throughout the day. Tom Daly '16 wrestled a full six-minute match against his Governors opponent. Although he did not manage a pin, he racked up points from aggressive offensive moves and eventually took the match 11-2.

Similarly, Elijah Aladin '15 claimed his first Varsity victory in a grueling match, finally pinning his opponent in the final round.

"The other team only had six guys but we wrestled our hardest and came away with the win," said Tom Daly '16.

Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 swiftly flipped his opponent onto his back, pinning him in just 46 seconds.

Looking forward, the team only has one more regular game before tournament season begins, and it still has much to improve on.

"[We need to improve] conditioning and practicing in real match conditions, focusing on learning a specific skill set for each individual wrestler and refining it," said Co-Captain James Palmer '14.

Muchnick added, "I'm still trying to get as comfortable as I can taking my shot from neutral. I was the aggressor in the match and took my guy down but I'm going to continue to work on my neutral position."

As many of the team's younger wrestlers have performed well this season, Andover hopes to send a strong group of wrestlers to Class A Interschols and New Englands.

"We're also going to spend a lot of time drilling our favorite moves, so that we can feel really good about the stuff we're going to hit come crunch time," continued Muchnick.

"Mentally, we're going to make sure to take every opponent seriously. Tournaments are about being able to work hard against anyone that steps out on the mat against you, from the first round hopefully all the way into the semi-finals and finals," he said.

Andover will have its first tournament, Northerns, this Saturday, followed by its last meet at Exeter next Wednesday.

1/31/14

Five Schools Compete in First NEPSAC Girls Tourney

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

L.LUO/THE PHILLIPIAN

Rebecca Somer '15 and Isabella Flynn '15 take up wrestling stances as they prepare to face off.

Just 40 seconds in, Alyssa Augustin '15 threw the champion of the 148-pound weight class to the mat and locked her in a pin in the final match of the NEPSAC Girls Wrestling Tournament last Sunday.

Augustin was one of the four girls from Andover who participated in the first all-girls tournament among New England prep schools. By hosting this tournament, Andover hopes that it will inspire more female participation and debunk any social stigmas about female wrestling.

A total of nine girls from five schools participated in the tournament, including four from Andover Wrestling. Rebecca Somer '15, Nicole Navarrete '15 and Isabella Flynn '15 placed second, third and fourth respectively in the 148-pound weight class, falling to a wrestler from Hotchkiss. The only wrestler in the 160-pound weight class, Augustin toppled the 148-pound class champion in an exhibition match.

"I saw some pretty remarkable sportsmanship among the girls in the tournament," wrote Flynn in an email to *The Phillipian*, "While on the mat, [the wrestlers] went hard, off the mat, everyone was high-fiving and congratulating each other."

Due to the gender imbalance, girls currently in the wrestling program usually face boys on the mat in Varsity and JV matchups. The tournament was a product of the hard work of Coach Kassie Archambault '06, who wrestled herself while at Andover, to level the playing field for female wrestlers. As the first female wrestling coach among New England prep schools and the first female wrestler to place in an interscholastic tournament, Archambault has been a big proponent of encouraging female wrestlers at Andover.

Of the 30 members currently in Andover Wrestling, only five are girls. Archambault has tried to increase girls' participation by talking to Junior girls' dorms every year and emphasizing the co-ed nature of wrestling.

She hopes that the Girls Tournament has set a precedent for female wrestling.

"I hope that this tournament will continue to grow and we will draw more participants each year," said Archambault. "I think some girls may be intimidated to join a wrestling team because most of their competition will be against boys."

"I think it is equally important to get them com-

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Andover Encourages Female Participation in Wrestling

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peting against other female wrestlers, and if we have an established tournament that girls can look forward to, this could encourage more girls to join wrestling teams," she added.

For first-time wrestler Somer, the transition to wrestling has not been easy.

"The biggest social stigma relating to being a female wrestler would be that it is 'unladylike,' and, to be honest, it has affected me at random moments throughout the season," said Somer.

"At first, I really struggled with the physical aggression; it just felt so unnatural. I had been conditioned to believe that it's weird for a girl to be physical, and I continue to struggle with this whenever I have matches with people watching," she added.

"Before each of my matches, I always get extremely nervous, sometimes on the verge of tears. I don't think it's the same kind of butterflies that my other team members get, but rather it's some bizarre insecurity that stems from the fact that I'm a female wrestler," she continued. "Fortunately, in most of the cases, the feeling disappears the second I start wrestling."

Archambault had to face stereotypes when she wrestled for Andover as well. By the end of her Senior year, however, she had recruited seven girls to the team, already working on building the female sector of the wrestling team.

"When I first made Varsity, other wrestlers would comment that this was Andover's way of 'being liberal' by putting a girl on the mat," said Archambault. "My teammates stood up for me and told them I worked just as hard as they did, and [I] beat two other boys on the team for my Varsity spot."

"By the end of my high school career though, people knew who I was and accepted that I was just another wrestler," she added.

Similarly, Somer now feels no different from the boys on the mat.

"The other wrestlers on the team treat me the exact same as they would treat any other member. I am so shocked at how much I've grown to love wrestling, and can only hope that more girls discover it as well," she said.

1/31/14

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Isabella Flynn' 15 capsizes the Hotchkiss wrestler who placed first in the 148-pound weight class.

Andover Comes Together for Tournament Victory

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Using the "McGurl" move, named after Dan McGurl '14, Alex Humphreys '15 took control of his match and came in third, just behind McGurl himself, who came in first in the 285-pound weight class when Andover dominated the Northern New England Invitational this weekend.

Andover came out of the tournament with four first place finishes, five second place finishes, two third place finishes and one fourth place finish.

The team placed a wrestler in the top four of every weight class they competed in except for the 106-pound class.

"We did great, we won the team score by about 70 points. We had by far the most wrestlers in the championship match, as well as the [third] place match," said McGurl.

Because of forfeits and injuries, McGurl wrestled in only two matches in order to become the 285-pound champion. McGurl's first opponent from Milton ran at him right as the match started. McGurl took this opportunity to end the match and pinned down his opponent in just seconds.

"In the finals match, however, it was a lot tougher, my opponent was a two-time All-American who I've wrestled in the past," continued McGurl. "My conditioning won me that match; we went into overtime, tied 1-1 and went all the way to sudden death overtime, where I escaped from the bottom to win the match."

Bennett Sherr '17, who was wrestling in the 113-pound weight class, pinned two of his three opponents.

"Going into the tournament, Coach Gorham said that Lawrence Academy was the favorite, even though we had won the tournament six times in a row, so everyone was motivated to do really well," said Humphreys.

Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 championed the 132-pound weight class, pinning three of his opponents in the first period. Entering the finals, Vallis' confidence did not waver and he beat his last opponent with a final score of 9-0.

"We definitely performed the best as a team. We didn't win all of our individual matches, but we had nine guys in the finals, with four first placers. We worked hard and won matches that we were not expected to, which gave us a huge team score win," said Humphreys.

After winning his first varsity meet ever the Wednesday before the tournament, Elijah Aladin '15 came in third in the 160-pound weight class, taking advantage of his opportunity to wrestle at the varsity level.

Tom Daly '16, who came in second in the 126-pound weight class, ended the day with a concussion, which may put him out for a portion of the season. Daly hopes to be well for Interschols this Friday. 2/7/14

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Co-Captain James Palmer '14 will lead Andover at Class A Interschols.

Wrestling Takes Fifth

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With an outside single move, Justin Muchnick '16 found success at the NEISWA tournament, placing second in the the 145-pound weight class.

Andover Wrestling ended with 178.5 points, the fifth most points of any team in the tournament. Mathew Simon '14 was crowned champion of the of the 220-pound weight class. Simon pinned his first two opponents and then defeated his third 8-0. In the finals, Simon defeated his opponent 10-5 to claim the title.

"The team did great, a lot of our younger wrestlers pulled of very good days. On the upper end we had some rough matches but we got 10 people to New England's and that's all that matters this week," said James Palmer '14 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

John Rauen '17, who was recently called up to Varsity, competed well in his first varsity tournament at Andover.

Bennett Sherr '17 wrestled to a third place finish in the 113-pound weight class. After pinning his first opponent in 56 seconds, Sherr fell to his second opponent in the second period of the semifinal round. Sherr ultimately defeated his opponent 15-1 in the third place match.

"I think I did pretty good, I mean I got third so I couldn't have done too badly. I beat the kids I was supposed to and lost to the kids who were supposed to beat me," said Sherr '17. "Right after the second match, I wrestled the two seed and was pinned in the second period. He was a kid I might have been able to go three [periods] with, but I was not aggressive and lost."

Muchnick, Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 and Co-Captain James Palmer '14 all finished second in their respective weight classes.

"We got a lot of guys to the finals and consolation finals, which was good, and as a team we were legitimate competitors throughout the whole tournament," said Muchnick.

Palmer entered the semi-finals against an opponent he had already faced. "I had a tough match against him before and I went out more aggressive. It paid off, letting me pull ahead and win," said Palmer. Palmer fell in the championship round.

Vallis finished second in the 132-pound weight class. Vallis pinned two of his opponents in the first period. After putting in a full three periods of wrestling, Vallis '14 fell to his final opponent 5-4.

Andover hopes to dominate at New England's this Friday and Saturday.

"Personally I feel all right going into it. I definitely need a little bit of work dusting off some moves but generally I feel like I could go deep at New England's," said Sherr.

Muchnick added, "I feel about as prepared as I can be. Even though our dual meets are very important to us, tournament season is what the wrestling team spends the whole season and offseason preparing for. I'm in a good place strengthwise, and my conditioning and technique have steadily improved throughout this season, so this is the right time for me to face my toughest competition yet."

earn place finishes. Not ... Christian Vallis '14 and Elijah Alaalin '15.

Question 1: When and why did you start wrestling? **2**: What is your favorite part of wrestling? ... hardest part?

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Henry Curtis '15

Weight Class: 182

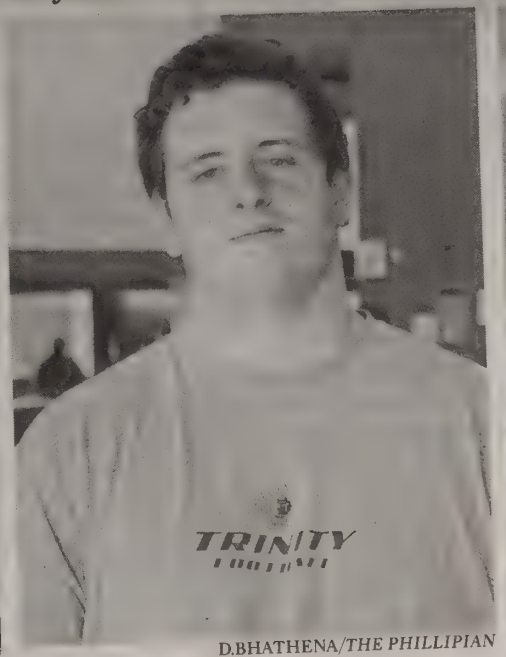
Place Finish: 4th

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Stand-Up or Arm-Chop Breakdown

1) I started wrestling at my old school as part of the P.E. requirement and really got into it after I went to camp the summer before seventh grade.

2) My favorite part of wrestling is probably going live and really flowing between the different techniques—wrestling is probably it's most fun for me when I get into a rhythm where I'm successfully hitting moves in my arsenal.

3) I would say personally the hardest part of wrestling for me is putting in work during the season to wrestle someone, losing to them and recovering from that loss to jump right back into training and competition.



D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Dan McGurl '14

Weight Class: Heavyweight

Place Finish: 4th

Favorite Wrestling Move:
"Anything That Pins"

1) I started wrestling in the seventh grade, and the captain of the high school team would stay after their practice ended to teach me the sport for about two hours a week. I started wrestling because of him and fell in love with the sport once it became competitive.

2) The individuality of the sport, while everyone is on a team and the team here at PA is very close, when you're on the mat, you are alone. You have the ability to succeed or fail, it is up to how much work you want to put into the sport to decide the outcome.

3) The conditioning needed to be successful. In wrestling, you exert all of your energy for six straight minutes. To be great, your conditioning has to be strong.

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Justin Muchnick '16

Weight Class: 145

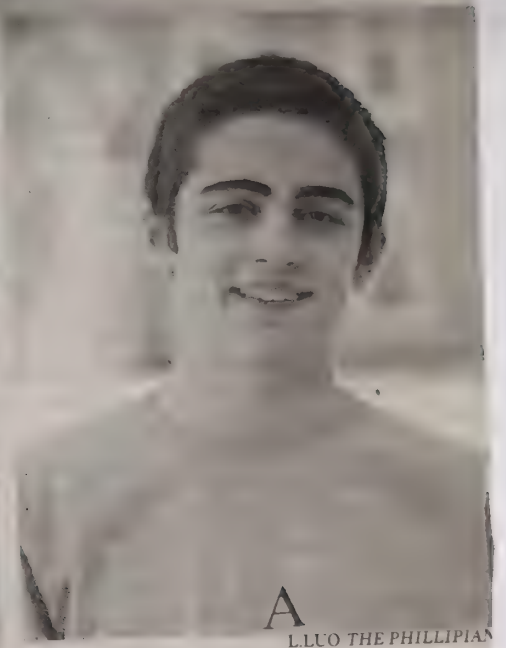
Place Finish: 2nd

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Outside Single Leg

1) When I was sixth grade, my dad, a former wrestler, introduced me to the sport, and I was hooked.

2) I love that the camaraderie I've built with my teammates and the respect I have for my coaches have made the wrestling room a place where I feel genuinely happy and comfortable. Even though it gets difficult when we're going hard on conditioning or when Vallis is slamming my face into the mat, there's still nowhere I'd rather be than in the room.

3) The third period: when both wrestlers are physically and mentally exhausted, it doesn't matter who's stronger or more technical—whoever digs deeper and wants it more will win.



L.LUO *THE PHILLIPIAN*

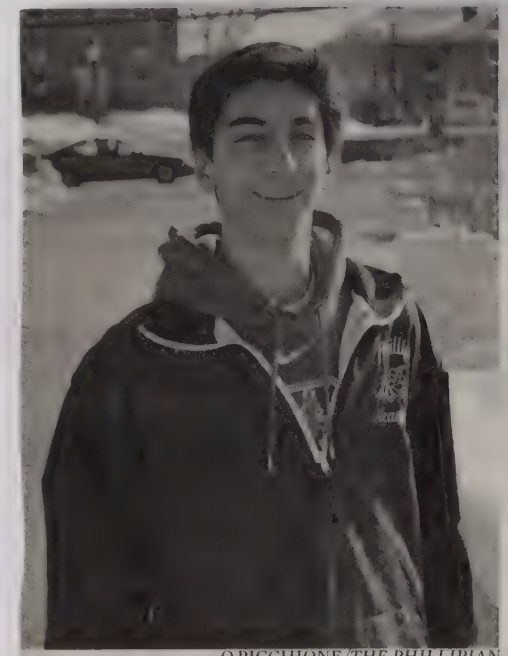
Bennett Sherr '17

Weight Class: 113

Place Finish: 3rd

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Arm Bar Stack

1) I started in sixth grade. I had to start wrestling behind my parents' backs as I knew they wouldn't like me competing in the sport. I did not play a lot of sports as a child because I have a bone tumor condition and have frequent surgeries. Physical sports, especially contact sports, were not encouraged for me. Wrestling was the first truly physical thing I did. Initially, after going out for the middle school team, I told my parents that I had to stay after school for student council meetings when I went to the practices. I finally had to tell them I was wrestling a few weeks into the season when I earned a Varsity spot. They were understandably nervous that I would get damaged, but they also saw I had a passion for it and determination to find success in it.



O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andreas Sheikh '15

Weight Class: 120

Place Finish: 3rd

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Arm-Bar

1) I started wrestling in fifth grade because my basketball career wasn't really taking off. It was something that I enjoyed immediately.

2) It requires a lot of dedication, but you get a great deal of satisfaction when you step off the mat victorious.

3) The hardest part of wrestling is cutting weight. It requires a great deal of discipline to watch what you eat and drink and sometimes not eat at all days before weigh ins. Practicing and doing school work while really hungry or dehydrated is really tough, but it is all worth it in the end.

E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

James Palmer '14

Weight Class: 170

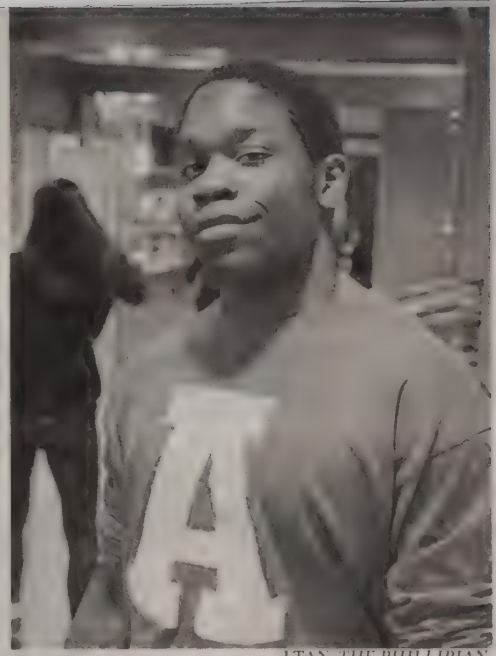
Place Finish: 2nd

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Fireman's Carry and Crossface Cradle

1) I started wrestling a year before Andover because my brothers both wrestled, and being the youngest and having no wrestling skill is not pleasant.

2) My favorite part of wrestling is brutal grind matches where it is close the whole time and then at the very end you beat them.

3) The hardest part of wrestling is stepping onto the mat, not knowing what the other person can do and is going to try and do and staying focused on just running what you know and making them act based on what you want to do.



I.TAN, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Matt Simon '14

Weight Class: 220

Place Finish: 1st

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Blast Double

1) I started wrestling in my Freshman year. I honestly can't remember the reason why.

2) Seeing everyone grow and seeing them able to do better each time and being able to push yourself and do better every time you go out and have people support you in doing that is a good experience.

3) Definitely the mental grind everyday. Whether your feeling sick, tired, whether your homework is done or not, you failed a test, you have to get on the mat, you have to grind it out. If your practice partner is just taking it to you that day, you have to give it all and your best.

J.SCHMITT, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Charlie Talcott '14

Weight Class: 195

Place Finish: 3rd

Favorite Wrestling Move:
Stall

1) I started wrestling in sixth grade because my dad was a wrestler, but I lost interest after a few years and stopped.

2) When you win a wrestling match, you're not just proving yourself as a superior wrestler—there are greater implications to beating someone up. Winning a wrestling match is more satisfying than anything else I have experienced in sports.

3) Balls. It simply takes balls to step on the mat, especially when you're facing a clearly superior opponent. That's why I have an enormous amount of respect for anyone who wrestles or ever has. 2/24/14

Five Wrestlers Qualify for Nationals

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Needing two points to win the match in overtime, Dan McGurl '14 hit a switch off the bottom on his All-American opponent from Trinity Pawling. The reversal resulted in two points and helped him win the match.

Andover Wrestling placed ninth overall in New England's, ending the day with five wrestlers qualifying Nationals, which included Matthew Simon '14, Bennett Sherr '17, Dan McGurl '14 and Co-Captains James Palmer '14 and Christian Vallis '14. McGurl, however, will not be able to go to Nationals due to nagging injury and sickness.

"I think we performed well, everyone had some great matches. Sherr took seventh place as a freshman so that was awesome. Vallis took second, Palmer and Simon both took fourth. We had a couple tough losses, people lost some matches we were all hoping they could have won but that's just part of the sport," said McGurl in an email to The Phillipian.

Vallis quickly pinned his first opponent en route to a second place finish. Vallis pinned his first opponent in the first period, then decisively won the next two matches 7-0. As the number two seed, Vallis went up against the number one seed in the finals.

"I felt like I should have won, but I'm proud of my second place finish. My finals opponent is one of my rivals, and we have gone back and forth in matches all year. I could have wrestled better, but it's still an accomplishment to be a four-time New England Finalist," said Vallis.

Palmer, the other Co-Captain, finished in fourth place pinning three of the five wrestlers he faced. Palmer won three of his matches, pinning his three opponents all in the first or second period. McGurl finished fifth in the 285-pound weight class as well.

"I was seeded sixth and knew I would have a tough road. I started off with a bye but then had a returning All-American in the quarter finals. I beat him in overtime but then lost in the semi finals in the sudden death overtime. I lost in a close match after that but took fifth," said McGurl.

Sherr has been an integral part of Andover wrestling this year, and Sherr will look to continue to help his team at Lehigh University this weekend.

"I think we did a good job placing eighth I believe. We had five of seven wrestlers place and qualify for Nationals, which is a great accomplishment," said Vallis. "I think we are very prepared for Nationals. The team has had tough competition all year, and there is reason we should feel intimidated by some of the wrestlers out at Nationals."

Andover Wrestling will travel to Lehigh to compete in Nationals this Thursday, Friday and Saturday, facing the best competition in the nation.

2/21/14

C.CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain James Palmer '14 pinned three of his five opponents.

WRESTLING

Vallis Takes 8th At Nationals For All-American Title

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With sweat dripping down his forehead, Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 capitalized on his opponent's weakness and threw him to the mat and so secured eighth place in the 132-pound weight class at Nationals.

Due to his "come-[from]-behind match," as Vallis described it, he was named an All-American for the third time in his wrestling career and outplaced the only opponent he lost to at the New England Championships last week.

"[Being named All-American is] a great accomplishment [that] only about 17 guys have ever done in New England history," said Vallis.

Vallis competed with fellow Co-Captain James Palmer '14 and Bennett Sherr '17 at Nationals this past weekend.

Although Palmer and Sherr did not place in their respective weight classes, they both performed well at Nationals.

Palmer won his first match with a final score of 10-0, but fell in his second.

"In my second match, I went out too aggressive, and my opponent was able to capitalize and score," said Palmer.

The only underclassman to qualify for Nationals, Sherr ended the day on his feet, as he did not get pinned, despite his two losses.

Nationals concluded a successful season for Andover Wrestling, finishing with a 7-2-0 record and spearheading an initiative to get more recognition as a co-ed sport through the Girls Tournament. The team will bid Seniors Vallis, Palmer, Sam Block, Dan McGurl, Matt Simon and Charlie Talcott farewell.

Palmer said, "I came in only knowing a small bit of wrestling, and I expanded that into areas I hadn't been comfortable [with]."

The team also elected Alyssa Augustin '15 and Justin Muchnick '16 as its Co-Captains for the 2014-2015 season.

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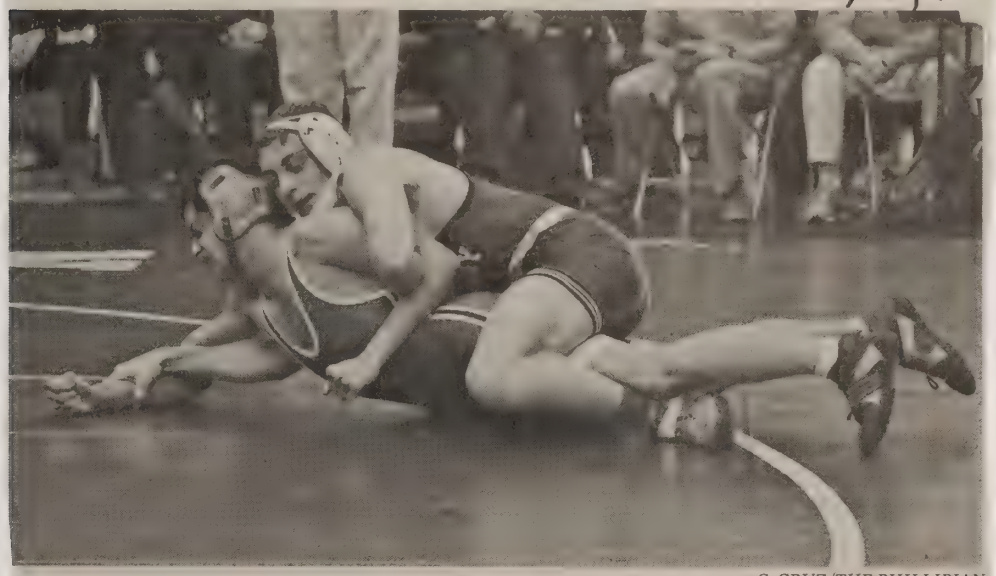

C. CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

This is the third time Co-Captain Christian Vallis '14 was named All-American.

Team Results Spring 2014

Baseball V	10-9-0	
Crew Boys		New England Champions
Crew Girls		
Cycling		
Golf	10-1-2	
Lacrosse BV	9-7-0	
Lacrosse GV	7-8-0	
Softball V	7-8-0	
Tennis BV	13-3-0	New England Champions
Tennis GV	11-2-0	
Track & Field Boys		
Track & Field Girls		
Ultimate Frisbee V	5-7-0	
Volleyball BV	3-6-0	
Water Polo GV	9-3-0	New England Champions

Spring sports season comes to an end after Andover-Exeter Weekend

Three championships and new track records serve as season highlights

May 29, 2014--The spring sports season drew to a close last weekend, with the Big Blue teams earning mostly positive results against archrival Phillips Exeter during Andover-Exeter Weekend. In addition, a number of teams performed exceptionally well in tournament and post-season play.

During A-E Weekend, both the baseball team and boys' tennis team scored impressive victories, with baseball claiming a 13-1 win and the tennis team posting a 6-1 victory. The tennis victory was especially sweet, as Exeter had come out on top during a nail-biter match earlier in the season.

Other PA teams to claim victory during Andover-Exeter Weekend were the golf team, boys' and girls' lacrosse, cycling, and girls' tennis. Exeter claimed victories in boys' and girls' track and in softball. Prior to the softball doubleheader, both the Exeter and Andover teams participated in a dedication ceremony for the newly named Peter Drench Park, in honor of longtime PA softball coach Peter Drench.

Among the PA teams who excelled in tournament and post-season play was the boys' tennis team, which upset Exeter, Milton and Hotchkiss to win the NEITA Class A championship title. The number three ranked girls' water polo also ended the season as underdog champions with its thrilling 8-7 victory over Choate in the final match of the NEPSAC Championship Tournament.

The boys' B1 boat was PA's other season champion, as it claimed a gold medal in the New England Interscholastic Rowing Championships. Making the victory even sweeter was the fact that all of Andover's boats, for both boys and girls, made it into the grand finals for the first time since 2011.

Other teams performing well in post season play include the girls' tennis team, which had been on a hot streak all season but fell in the finals match to Milton, earning runner-up status in the NEPSAC tournament. On the track, the Big Blue girls' team finished fourth out of 13 teams, while the boys finished 9th out of 12 teams at the New England Prep School Track Association Class A meet.

As always, the season brought with it a number of impressive individual performances. Among these were: sprinter Camille Little '16 set new records in the girls' 100m and 200m; Taryn Gangi '16, Charlie Jarvis '15, Shanics Pimentel '14 and Little set a new record in the girls' 4x100 relay; Caroline Shipley '16 set an A-E meet record in the girls' 400m; Peyton McGovern '16 missed the A-E meet record in the girls' 800m by one second, but recorded the fastest time in the Merrimack Valley this year in both the 800m and the mile; Noah Ward '17 set a junior class record in the discus; James Heaney '14, took second in boys' tennis singles in the NEPSITT Tournament and Jonathan Jow '16, and William Way '17 took third in doubles

Sport: Baseball

Year: 2014

Captain: Christopher Hohlstein

Mark Sullivan

Coach: Kevin Graber

Assistant Coach: Chris Capano & Tedd Parker

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Burnham, DeWitt
Cerulle, Robert
Festa, John
Gaetano, David
Gorski, Nicholas
Hamel, Andrew
Hohlstein, Christopher
Hosman, Matthew
Ilalio, Matthew
Jancsy, Payton
Kamdar, Poonam
Lane, Thomas
Nomoto, Kenta
Rabb, Mikaela
Salvadore, Timothy
Simourian, John
Sullivan, Mark
Superko, Kevin
Whalen, Robert
Zager, Samuel

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Varsity Baseball
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Wt.	B/T	Hometown
1	Ilalio, Matthew	OF	2014	5-9	195	R/L	Anchorage, AK
2	Zager, Samuel	C	2015	5-10	140	R/R	Sudbury, MA
3	Simourian, John	C/OF	2016	5-9	165	R/R	Dover, MA
4	Sullivan, Mark*	INF	2014	5-7	155	L/R	Reading, MA
6	Nomoto, Kenta	INF	2014	6-0	180	R/R	Waltham, MA
8	Cerulle, Robert	P/1B	2017	5-11	165	R/R	Wellesley, MA
9	Jancsy, Payton	OF/C	2016	5-10	180	R/R	Marblehead, MA
10	Whalen, Robert	INF	2016	5-8	165	R/R	Hanover, NH
11	Superko, Kevin	P/OF/INF	2014	6-1	165	R/R	Wellesley, MA
15	Burnham, DeWitt	OF	2016	6-0	175	R/R	Larkspur, CA
17	Festa, John	OF	2015	6-2	182	L/L	Lynnfield, MA
18	Gaetano, David	OF/P	2015	5-11	175	L/L	Bozeman, MT
21	Salvadore, Timothy	P/1B	2015	6-3	185	R/R	Hopkinton, MA
23	Hohlstein, Christopher*	INF	2014	6-2	200	R/R	Atlanta, GA
24	Hosman, Matthew	INF/P	2015	5-10	175	R/R	Peabody, MA
27	Lane, Thomas	P/OF	2015	6-4	230	R/L	Georgetown, MA
33	Gorski, Nicholas	1B	2014	6-1	210	L/R	Sandown, NH
45	Hamel, Andrew	P	2014	6-7	260	R/L	Methuen, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Kevin Graber
Assistant Coaches: Chris Capano, Tedd Parker

Managers: Sarah Eikenberry '16, Poonam Kamdar '14, Mikaela Rabb '14

Baseball Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 10-9-0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
3/29 @ 12:00 PM	St John's Prep		Scrimmage	W 8-4
4/5 @ 2:00 PM	Bridgton Academy	H	Game	L 4-5
4/9 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor	H	Game	L 3-6
4/11 @ 4:30 PM	Belmont Hill	H	Game	L 5-6
4/18 @ 4:45 PM	BB&N		Game	L 2-3
4/19 @ 12:00 PM	Worcester	H	Game	L 3-5
4/19 @ 3:00 PM	Worcester	H	Game	L 0-1
4/21 @ 4:30 PM	Cushing	H	Game	L 3-5
4/23 @ 3:45 PM	Pingree	H	Game	Rained Out
4/26 @ 1:30 PM	NMH (DH)		Game	Rained Out
4/28 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks	H	Game	W 3-1
5/2 @ 4:30 PM	Groton		Game	W 6-2
5/3 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter		Game	W 9-7
5/3 @ 5:00 PM	Exeter		Game	W 13-3
5/7 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing		Game	L 1-2
5/10 @ 1:00 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 2-0
5/10 @ 3:00 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 4-3
5/14 @ 3:45 PM	Tabor		Game	W 9-1
5/17 @ 5:30 PM	Tabor (CNEPSBL Semifinal)		Tournament	L 0-2
5/21 @ 3:15 PM	Dexter		Game	W 9-3
5/24 @ 2:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 13-1

St John's Prep 3/29/2014
Away Game Win 8-4
Varsity Baseball Passes Early Test at St. John's Prep
Danvers, Mass. -- Andover plated a trio of runs in the opening frame and never looked back en route to an 8-4 scrimmage win at perennial power St. John's Prep on Saturday. Andy Hamel '14, **Thomas Lane '15 (pictured)**, and Tim Salvadore '15 each hurled three stellar innings for Big Blue.
Matt Hosman '15 set the tone early, smacking the game's opening pitch into left-centerfield and scoring on a wild pitch. Payton Jancsy '16 bunted his way on board and also scored, before John Festa '15 walked and scored on a Chris Hohlstein '14 fielder's choice.
Matt Ilalio '14 upped the lead to 4-0 with an RBI single in the fourth, and Big Blue ballooned the gap to 7-0 in the fifth as Hohlstein and Jancsy each singled and scored.
Festa singled and scored on a Robby Cerulle '17 base hit to cap the scoring in the ninth.
Hamel, meanwhile, was dominant on the mound, fanning four and surrendering just one hit in three scoreless innings. Lane was similarly impressive, fanning a pair and surrendering just one hit, before giving way to Salvadore, who finished St. John's Prep off in the seventh, eighth, and ninth innings.
Festa paced the offense with two hits, a pair of walks, and three runs scored.
St. John's Prep finished the 2013 season at 22-2, advancing to the Division I North title game.

Brooks 4/28/14
Home Game W 3-1
Power Pitching Stymies Brooks in 3-1 Varsity Baseball Win
Tim Salvadore '15, Thomas Lane '15 and Andy Hamel '14 fanned a combined 13 batters and surrendered just five hits en route to a 3-1 win over visiting Brooks School on Monday. Matt Hosman '15 and **Kenta Nomoto '14 (pictured)** powered the offense with a pair of hits apiece.
Andover opened the scoring with two runs in the second as Kevin Superko '14 walked and scored on a fielder's choice and Matt Ilalio '14 singled and trotted home on a John Festa '15 sacrifice fly. Big Blue added an insurance tally in the fifth as Nomoto singled and raced home on an RBI single by Superko.
Salvadore cruised on the mound, meanwhile, striking out eight in four strong innings. Lane faced little difficulty in the fifth and sixth, before Hamel earned his first save of the season, striking out the side in the top of the seventh.

Groton 5/2/2014
Away Game W 6-2
Hosman '15 Pitches Varsity Baseball Past Groton
Matt Hosman '15 (pictured) scattered seven hits and fanned a trio of hitters en route to a 6-2 complete-game pitching win at non-league foe Groton School on Friday. Andover's six runs came on just five hits, but Payton Jancsy '16 keyed the attack with a double, four stolen bases, and two runs scored.
Senior co-captain Chris Hohlstein added a two-run, inside the park homer, his first of the season, in the top of the fifth, while Kevin Superko '14 singled, scored a run, and plated a pair to bolster the offense.

Exeter 5/3/2014
Away Game 13-3
Varsity Baseball Extends Win Streak with Doubleheader Sweep at Exeter
Andover's bats came to life on Saturday, pounding out 24 hits en route to a doubleheader sweep at archrival Exeter, taking the opener 13-3 and the nightcap 9-7. Thomas Lane '15 and Tim Salvadore '15 earned pitching wins for Big Blue, who upped their current win streak to four games.
Game 1 highlights included an RBI double by **John Festa '15 (pictured)**, a straight steal of home by Matt Hosman '15, and a run-scoring triple by Matt Whalen '16. Lane racked up seven strikeouts and surrendered just one earned run on three hits before giving way to rookie reliever Robby Cerulle '17 in the seventh.
Game 2 provided a bit more drama as Andover and Exeter battled through five lead changes. Big Blue claimed the lead for good when Kenta Nomoto '14 plated Festa with an RBI single in the fourth. Exeter had the tying run on board in the final frame, but Kevin Superko '14 slammed the door shut for his first save of the season. Salvadore fanned four and scattered just four hits en route to the pitching win.
Festa had a huge day at the plate with three hits in each game.

Deerfield 5/10/2014
Home Game W 4-3
Varsity Baseball Continues Hot Streak, Sweeps Deerfield
Gutsy pitching performances from **Andy Hamel '14 (pictured)**, Tim Salvadore '15, and Thomas Lane '15 propelled the varsity baseball team to a doubleheader sweep over visiting league rival Deerfield Academy on Saturday, taking the opener 2-0 and the nightcap 4-3. Andover has now won six of its last seven, edging ever closer to clinching a berth in

next weekend's Central New England Prep Championship Tournament.
Hamel was the story in Game 1, fanning seven and scattering just four hits en route to a complete-game shutout. He needed just 76 pitches (56 of which he threw for strikes) and set Deerfield down in order in the second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth innings. John Festa '15 singled, stole second and third, and trotted home on a single by Payton Jancsy '16 to open the scoring in the first. Nick Gorski '14 singled and scored on a Chris Hohlstein '14 double to add an insurance tally in the fourth.
Game 2 brought its share of drama, as Andover trailed 3-2 entering the bottom of the fifth. Tim Superko '14 turned the tied with a two-run triple (his third hit of the game), scoring Kenta Nomoto '14 and Jancsy. Salvadore, meanwhile, battled through six complete innings, striking out six while scattering six hits. Lane started the seventh in relief and wiggled out of a bases loaded jam to earn his first save of the year. Salvadore ran his record to 3-1 with the pitching win.

Tabor 5/14/2014
Away Game W 9-1
Hohlstein '14 Powers Varsity Baseball Past Tabor in League Finale
Senior co-captain Chris Hohlstein bashed his second and third homers of the season, while six Andover pitchers combined to allow just three hits, as Big Blue rolled to a 9-1 win at league-rival Tabor Academy on Wednesday. With seven wins in their last eight outings, two-time defending champ Andover hopes to keep the momentum rolling, having clinched one of four berths in this Saturday's Central New England Prep Championship Tournament, hosted by the College of the Holy Cross.
Hohlstein's two-homerun, four-RBI afternoon highlighted a 15-hit Andover attack. John Simourian '16 doubled en route to a 3-for-4 afternoon, while John Festa '15, Kenta Nomoto '14, Payton Jancsy '16, and Nick Gorski '14 chipped in with two hits apiece.
Andover's pitching, meanwhile, was dominant. Robbie Cerulle '17 drew the start and hurled a pair of strong innings to pick up his first career win. Thomas Lane '15, Tim Salvadore '15, Andy Hamel '14, Matt Hosman '15, and Kevin Superko '14 each added a scoreless inning in relief, as the staff combined for eight strikeouts. Andover's team ERA now stands at 1.98, with an opponent batting average of just .234.

Dexter 5/21/2014
Away Game W 9-3
Simourian '16, Hamel '14 Power Varsity Baseball Past Dexter
John Simourian '16 nailed his first career homerun en route to a 4-for-5 afternoon, while southpaw hurler Andy Hamel '14 struck out five and allowed just one earned run in six complete innings, as Andover notched its eighth win its last 10 games with a convincing 9-3 victory at Dexter on Wednesday.
Big Blue broke the game open with a six-run flurry in the top of the fifth, ignited by consecutive singles from Mark Sullivan '14, Simourian, and John Festa '15, and keyed by sophomore Payton Jancsy's two-run double. Andover added a pair of insurance tallies in the seventh courtesy of a straight steal of home plate by Matt Ilalio '14 and Simourian's two-out solo blast.
After surrendering a solo homerun to Dexter's leadoff man in the bottom of the first, Hamel cruised, holding the hosts at bay until exiting with no outs and a man on in the seventh. Dexter took advantage of defensive miscues to threaten in the final frame, but Andover reliever Kevin Superko '14 induced a strikeout and fly-out to quell the threat.
Andover closes its season this Saturday with a 2 p.m. tilt against visiting archrival Exeter

Exeter 5/24/2014
Home Game 13-1
Hohlstein '14, Salvadore '15 Power Varsity Baseball Past Exeter in Season Finale
Senior co-captain Chris Hohlstein homered, doubled, drove in a trio of runs and scored three more, while Tim Salvadore '15 fanned six and scattered just three Exeter hits in seven-and-a-third shutout innings to lead varsity baseball to a decisive 13-1 win over visiting archrival Exeter in both teams' season finale on Saturday.
Andover pounded out 13 hits in the win. Nick Gorski '14 singled twice and doubled to help key the attack, while Matt Ilalio '14 doubled and singled, and Andy Hamel added a pinch-hit RBI double to the wall in straightaway centerfield in the seventh. **Mark Sullivan '14 (pictured)** and Payton Jancsy '14 each singled and drove in a pair of runs.
Hohlstein's round-tripper – a solo shot in the second – was his fourth of the season and ninth of his career. Salvadore ran his record to 4-1 with the pitching win. Exeter scored its lone run on a safety squeeze trailing 13-0 with one out in the ninth inning. The win gave Andover a three-game sweep over Exeter on the season.

THE QUEST FOR THE THREE-PEAT

Pitching Lineup to Anchor Team

E.AVVAKUMOVA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Tim Salvadore '15 was a league all-star last year.

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Coming off of a two consecutive Central New England Prep School Baseball League (CNEPSBL) championships, Andover Baseball has big expectations to deliver another winning season.

In 2012, Andover rolled through the regular season and tournament, capping off a magical season with the school's fourth championship in a decade. Last year, however, was not a smooth ride like 2012.

"This is our second championship in a row, but this is a much different team than last year. Last year's team was very dominant. This year we had to scratch and scrap and faced a lot of adversity along the way," said Head Coach Kevin Graber in an interview with "ESPNBoston" following the 2013 championship victory.

Every team knows that Andover is the reigning CNEPSBL Champion, and that knowledge will spur teams to give their absolute best efforts against Andover.

"We know there's a target on our backs. Other [teams] are going to want to play us and prove that they can beat us. We'll just play our game with the same intensity that we played with last year, and hopefully we'll come out with the same result from last year," said Sam Zager '15.

Co-Captain Mark Sullivan '14 said, "It's certainly something we've talked about how it's something we have to deal with it. These teams do know we're coming off back-to-back championships, but I think we just have to play our game and focus on our own game, and we'll play our best."

Co-Captains Chris Hohlstein '14 and Sullivan will try to fill the big shoes that 2013 Co-Captains Rory Ziomek '13 and Seamus O'Neill '13 left behind.

Top players Ziomek, O'Neill, Tim Superko '13, Connor Farrell '13 and David McCullough '13 have graduated, but Graber has confidence in newcomers Kevin Superko '14, Andy Hamel '14, Nick Gorski '14 and Matt Ilalio '14.

During preseason training in Florida during Spring Break, Andover posted a 4-2 record and showcased the type of shutdown pitching that will be essential to Andover's success in 2014.

Like last season, Andover will likely rely on its pitching staff to shoulder most of the burden of a grueling regular season.

According Thomas Lane '15, one of two returners in the rotation, Ziomek did not graduate without leaving a lasting impact for the next couple years.

"Especially with me, Rory taught me a lot about being a leader and an upperclassman on the team. I feel like that will really help me out," said Lane.

Tim Salvadore '15 is the other returning starter, and he hopes to continue the success he found last year as a league all-star.

"As a team, we're going out there every practice expecting to get better, and we're going to go out to every game and expect to win every single game. We think that if we get better every day, that'll lead to wins and eventually another championship, which is the ultimate goal," said Lane.

Sullivan added, "I've had a great three seasons so far, and I'm really looking forward to getting out there for one last year with the team. As we've shown in Florida, we're definitely a strong team. We're looking forward to getting some wins."

Andover begins its quest for a three-peat on Saturday against St. John's Prep. 3/27/14

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Kevin Superko '14

BASEBALL

Keep an eye on newcomer and soon-to-be Tufts University student, Kevin Superko '14, Center Fielder and Pitcher from Wellesley, MA. Following in his brother Tim Superko '13's footsteps, the Post-Graduate lefty throws a mid-80s fastball with good location and complements the heater with a change-up and curveball. Superko finished his Senior year with a 2.55 ERA, 67 strikeouts in only 49 innings and an all-league first team selection. Look for Superko to headline a star-studded rotation that will attempt to carry the team to its third straight championship. 3/8/14

First-Year Scouting Report

Robbie Cerulle '17

An infusion of youth on an experienced team, Cerulle is a tall, lanky Junior whose potential looks sky-high. While he's not expected to play a huge role on this year's team, an ear-to-ear smile crept across Coach Graber's face when talking about the prospect of developing Cerulle for the long-term. Cerulle throws a high-70s to low-80s fastball and quality off-speed offerings including a curveball and a change-up. The future looks bright for this team as Cerulle looks to help anchor the pitching staff up through 2017.

Andrew Hamel '14

The prized lefty Post-Graduate from rival school Central Catholic figures to be a staple of this year's fearsome rotation. Coming in at an intimidating 6'7" and sporting size-18 feet, Hamel evokes many comparisons to former Andover ace Tom Palleschi '12. Hamel uses his huge frame to his advantage on the mound, standing tall and bearing down on the batter. The big downhill plane he generates on his mid-80s fastball changes hitters' eye levels and prevents them from squaring up. He complements his heavy fastball with a changeup that Coach Kevin Graber described as "a great weapon."

Matt Ilalio '14

A tri-Varsity Post-Graduate, Ilalio is coming off a monster year in Alaska and hopes to continue his success here at Andover. The lefty standout puts together a rare combination of tools that make him a threat to post-video game numbers if he adjusts well to East Coast pitching. Graber noted that Ilalio boasts an impressive combination of power and speed, which helps him both at the plate and in the field. Not only is Ilalio fast, he also has great instincts in the outfield, getting a great read and first jump on the ball right off the bat.

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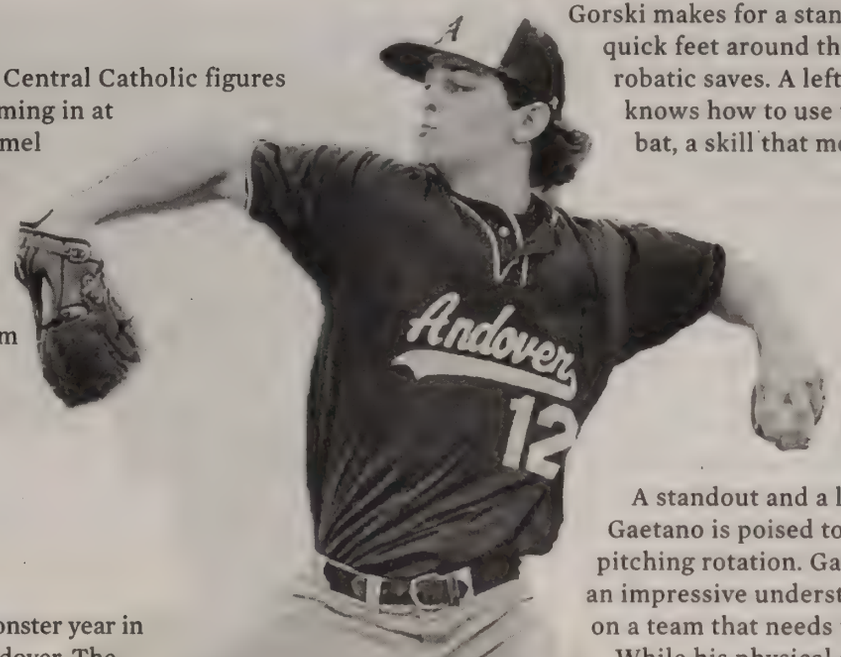
David Gaetano

Nick Gorski'14

Another Post-Graduate from Central Catholic, Nick Gorski looks to fill the void left behind by the graduation of Connor Farrell '13 and Joey Verhaegh '13. With prototypical first baseman size to go along with superb athleticism, Gorski makes for a standout defensive first baseman. His big target and quick feet around the bag allow him to reach throws and make acrobatic saves. A lefty hitter who helps to balance the lineup, Gorski knows how to use the entire field and make adjustments mid-at-bat, a skill that most high schoolers can't boast.



David Gaetano '15

A standout and a leader on the Junior Varsity team last year, Gaetano is poised to make an impact on the championship-caliber pitching rotation. Gaetano grew up around baseball and displays an impressive understanding of the game. His versatility plays well on a team that needs utility-men who can fill multiple positions. While his physical ability does not necessarily match up to those of the top players on the team, Gaetano has baseball skills that stand out among the best on the team. His baseball knowledge plays into his situational hitting ability and his skilled two-strike approach. Graber described him as "a scrappy, line-drive hitter," who has the versatility to either start or be an important role player.

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Best Power:
Chris Hohlstein '14

Best Contact:
John Festa '15

Best Speed:
Matt Hosman '15

Best Glove:
Matt Hosman '15

Best Arm:
John Simourian '16

Fastball:
Tim Salvadore '15 (91mph)

Secondary Pitch:
Andrew Hamel '14 (change-up)

Control:
Kevin Superko '14

Power Starved:

Last year, the Andover only swatted two home runs and 33 total extra-base hits. *The Phillipian* takes an inside look at how the team manages to produce offense despite the power outage.

Coach Graber's offense focuses on two key components: the two-strike approach and a high on-base percentage.

Two-Strike Approach:

Graber makes this the emphasis of the entire offense. The goal is contact. With two strikes, the batter chokes up on the bat, lets the ball travel deep into the zone and hits it to the opposite field. This protects against the susceptibility to two-strike breaking balls that drop out of the zone. While this method hasn't proven extremely effective in cutting down strikeouts (the team struck out in 20.6 percent of its at bats last year), the team was able to knock runners in with two-strikes and force the other team to make plays.

On Base Percentage:

To score runs, you have to get on base. Last year's team did just that. With an outstanding .301 team batting average and a stellar .395 on base percentage, the Andover succeeded in putting guys on and getting into scoring situations. A single, a stolen base and another single. That's a run. Andover is a small-ball team that emphasizes stringing hits together as opposed to waiting for the big home run.

Returner Spotlight

Chris Hohlstein '14: SS

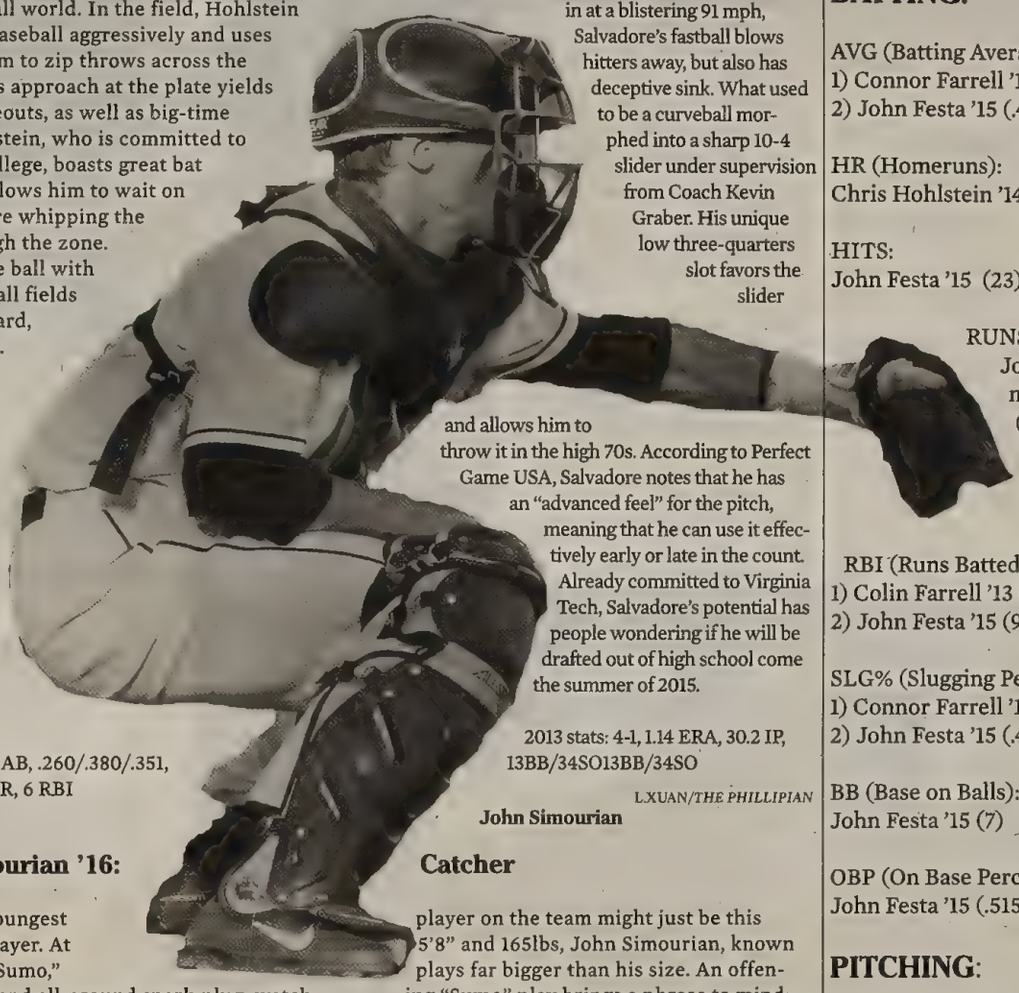
Coming in at 6'2" and 190lbs, Co-Captain Hohlstein is a projectable power and threat in the middle of the infield, a hot commodity in the baseball world. In the field, Hohlstein attacks the baseball aggressively and uses his strong arm to zip throws across the diamond. His approach at the plate yields a lot of strikeouts, as well as big-time power. Hohlstein, who is committed to Davidson College, boasts great bat speed that allows him to wait on pitches before whipping the barrel through the zone. He drives the ball with authority to all fields and makes hard, solid contact. Perhaps the most memorable moment of last year's regular season was Hohlstein's 400+ foot walk-off homerun against Cushing.

2013 stats: 50 AB, .260/.380/.351, 12 R, 13 H, 1HR, 6 RBI

Tim Salvadore '15: P

6'3" and 185lbs with a long, athletic build, Salvadore is the picture of projectable. His best weapon on the mound is undoubtedly his fastball; coming in at a blistering 91 mph, Salvadore's fastball blows hitters away, but also has deceptive sink. What used to be a curveball morphed into a sharp 10-4 slider under supervision from Coach Kevin Graber. His unique low three-quarters slot favors the slider and allows him to throw it in the high 70s. According to Perfect Game USA, Salvadore notes that he has an "advanced feel" for the pitch, meaning that he can use it effectively early or late in the count. Already committed to Virginia Tech, Salvadore's potential has people wondering if he will be drafted out of high school come the summer of 2015.

2013 stats: 4-1, 1.14 ERA, 30.2 IP, 13BB/34SO13BB/34SO



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John Simourian

John Simourian '16: Catcher

Last year's youngest player on the team might just be this year's best player. At 5'8" and 165lbs, John Simourian, known by many as "Sumo," plays far bigger than his size. An offensive catalyst and all-around spark-plug, watching "Sumo" play brings a phrase to mind: Shades of Dustin Pedroia, Boston Red Sox second baseman . A diminutive ballplayer, Pedroia maintains hustle and heart, that, combined with his natural talent, separate him from the pack. Similarly, Simourian goes all-out every single play, be it the pre-season or playoffs. He can hit for average. He can hit for power. He can run. He can field. He can throw. A true five-tool player, scouts have difficulty keeping their eyes off of him. Living up to his billing as a top player, Simourian was an offensive force on the team last season, ranking near the top of the pack in every significant offensive category.

2013 stats: 54 AB, .353/.407/.455, 14 R, 19 H, 6 RBI, 5 SB

Breakout Candidates

Matt Hosman '15: 3B

Yes, that Matt Hosman. The one who was on ESPN in the Little League World Series after hitting a walk-off grandslam. A seasoned ballplayer, Hosman was a big addition for the team in his Junior year, but suffered a drop-off in production last season, batting only .234 and slugging .227. That can be partly attributed to an abnormally low Batting Average on Balls in Play (BABIP) of just .268. BABIP is usually thought of as a statistic to define "luck" in baseball. Hosman boasts an above-average ability to put the bat on the ball and consistently shows the ability to drive the baseball deep. For whatever reason, last year those deep shots just didn't fall and his average suffered as a result. After a locked-in Florida trip, there's no reason to think a determined Hosman can't bring his average back closer to .300 and play a big role in Andover's offense this year.

Thomas Lane '15: P

Essentially the fourth starting pitcher for most of last year, Thomas Lane made great strides from his Junior season. From riding the pine all of 2012 to striking out six in a row in one game last year, Lane looks poised to build on his impressive progress. Touching high 80s with his fastball, Thomas Lane complements his heater with a filthy slider that sweeps batters off their feet. He only threw 12 innings last year, but he had 23 strikeouts and only two walks, averaging 17.25 K/9 during the season. Having that experience under his belt, Lane is expected to repeat last year's stellar performance through an increased role on this year's team.

2013 Team Leaders:

BATTING:

AVG (Batting Average):
1) Connor Farrell '13 (.450)
2) John Festa '15 (.418)

HR (Homeruns):
Chris Hohlstein '14 (1)

HITS:
John Festa '15 (23)

RUNS:
John Simourian '16 (14)

RBI (Runs Batted In):
1) Colin Farrell '13 (10)
2) John Festa '15 (9)

SLG% (Slugging Percentage)
1) Connor Farrell '13 (.650)
2) John Festa '15 (.418)

BB (Base on Balls):
John Festa '15 (7)

OBP (On Base Percentage):
John Festa '15 (.515)

PITCHING:

ERA (Earned Run Average):
Tim Salvadore '15 (1.14)

WINS:
Tim Salvadore '15 (4)

LOSSES:
Thomas Lane '15 (2)

STARTS:
Tim Salvadore '15 (5)

INNINGS:
1) Rory Ziomek '13 (38.1)
2) Tim Salvadore '15 (30.2)

HITS:
Tim Salvadore '15 (24)

RUNS:
1) Tim Superko '13 (21)
2) Tim Salvadore '15 (13)

ER (Earned Runs):
Tim Salvadore '15 (5)

BAA (Batting Average Against):
Matt Hosman '15 (.154)

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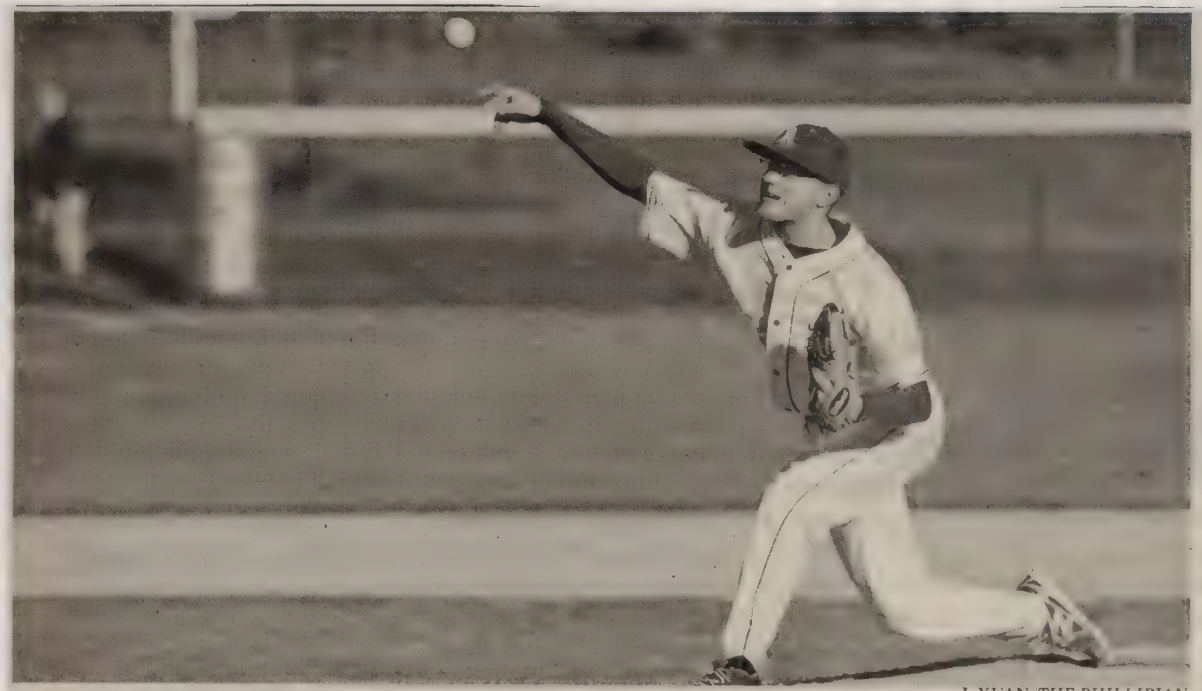

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Matt Hosman '15 limited opposing hitters to a .154 batting average last season.

Victorious Start

Andover (W): 8-4

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

St. John's didn't stand a chance, considering Andover's dominance on the hill and its prowess in the batter's box.

Matt Hosman '15 ripped a single over the opposing shortstop's head to jump-start a three-run first inning, setting the tone for Andover's 8-4 scrimmage victory over St. John's Prep last Saturday. By the seventh inning, Andover led 7-0. Payton Jancsy '16 highlighted the rampage by scoring two runs in an aggressive offensive performance.

As players predicted before the season, Andover relied on its pitching staff to carry the team to victory. Andrew Hamel '14 and Thomas Lane '15 pitched a combined six scoreless innings and powered through St. John's lineup. Andover plays its first regular season game at home against Bridgton Academy on Saturday.

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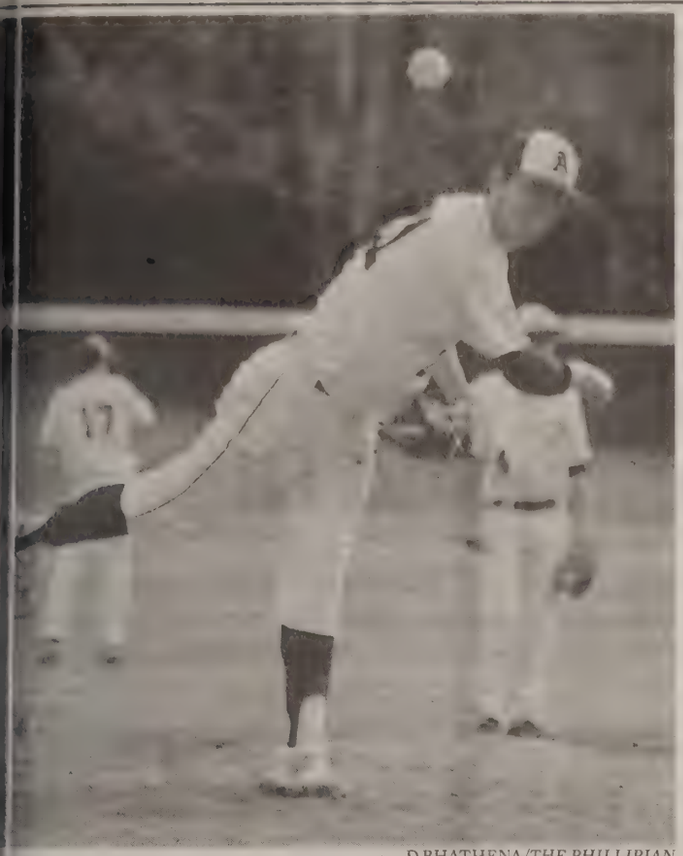

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vadore '15 warms up on the mound.

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One Hit Away From Win

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Andover	1
Bridgton	5
Andover	3
Tabor	6

Runners on second and third. Two outs. Andover Baseball down 5-4. Batter up at the plate. This was Andover's chance to take home a comeback victory against Bridgton Academy.

A strike-three call unfortunately dashed Andover's hopes, and the team fell for the first time this season on Saturday after letting up three runs en route to a three-run differential.

On Wednesday, the team could not regain momentum and lost 6-3 against Tabor.

Andover fought to come back against Bridgton, scoring one run in the second, one in the fourth and two in the fifth inning. Heading into the seventh inning, Andover found itself down 5-4.

After a walk kicked-off the seventh, DeWitt Burnham '16 stepped in to pinch run and stole second. Matt Ilalio '14 pitched in with an infield hit and stole second to put two runners in scoring position with two outs. Matt Whalen '16 struck out to end the closely-contested game.

"We hit well, we executed really well and I'm proud of the way we fought back in the end. But what got us in the end was our sleepwalking through the first couple innings," said John Simourian '16.

Against Tabor, the coaching staff and team put together four goals for the game: score six runs; one three-run inning; seven combined walks, hit-by-pitches, errors or stolen bases; and have 50 percent quality at-bats. The team estimated that its winning percentage would rise to 90 percent if the team reached this goal.

Unfortunately, Andover was not able to accomplish any of these goals. The offense could only muster three runs, despite a strong outing from the pitchers in a 6-3 loss.

"There really wasn't a whole lot of offense behind our pitchers, and there wasn't really much fielding behind them either — I think there were three errors behind [Thomas] Lane '15 alone... We just didn't play well as a team. We didn't play together [against Tabor]," said Sam Zager '15.

Despite the losses, Andover remains optimistic about the season.

"It's still early in the year. We all know that it's a work in progress.... We're going to go out to practice tomorrow and work on our hitting and build on today's game. We had a tough time today hitting the ball, but [Tabor] had a great guy out there today," said David Gaetano '15.

Andover faces a perennially strong and talented Belmont Hill team on Friday and looks to reverse its performance after

Boys Trump Top Team for First Win of the Season

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Belmont Hill	6
Andover	1
DeMatha Catholic	2

Facing a 2-2 tie late in the seventh inning with two runners on base, Kevin Superko '14 stepped up to bat against Collegiate Baseball's top-ranked Maryland team, DeMatha Catholic High School.

Determined to bring home a win after a 0-3 start to the season, Superko blasted a long base hit to center field, and Kenta Nomoto '14 dashed to home base for the winning run. Superko's walk-off hit resulted in Andover Baseball's first victory of the season at 3-2.

The win against DeMatha on Saturday came just a day removed from a 6-5 loss at the hands of Belmont Hill.

"Against Belmont Hill, we gave up a big inning early. I think we gave up four runs in an early inning, which really set us back. We can't let that happen, and that improved [when we played] against DeMatha," said Thomas Lane '15.

Andover's game against DeMatha was evenly matched through all seven innings. Neither team fell behind by more than one run for the entire game.

DeMatha struck first with a run in the top of the fourth inning, but Andover responded in the bottom half of the inning with two runs of its own — Nick Gorski '14 drove in a run with an RBI single, and Matt Whalen '16 scored on a Nomoto single to put Andover ahead 2-1 after four innings.

After DeMatha tied the game at two runs apiece in the fifth inning, neither team made much noise until Andover put two runners on base in the seventh.

"I went up there having not seen [the DeMatha pitcher] yet, so I wanted to see where his arm slot was and get a feel for it. He had a funky motion going on out there. He eventually got me into a 3-1 count, and I was looking fastball and wanted to zone it up, and I was able to," said Superko in an interview with "ESPN Boston."

Lane tossed seven strong innings for his first complete game of the season, allowing just two runs on seven hits. Head Coach Kevin Graber did not have to rely on valuable bullpen arms.

"When I step on the mound, I expect to succeed, and I did expect to throw seven innings. I expect that every time," said Lane. "Against Bridgton, I gave up a couple runs in the first inning, and this time I went three innings without giving up a run. I think the key to the DeMatha game was not giving up runs in bunches, and we avoided that."

Andover will look to pull closer to .500 when it plays at BB&N today and Worcester tomorrow at home.

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Thomas Lane '15 tossed seven innings for his first complete game on Saturday.

One-Run Losses Continue To Plague Team

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Andover	3
BB&N	2
Andover	3
Worcester	1
Andover	0
Worcester	1
Andover	3
Cushing	5

Kevin Superko '14 scooped up a base hit in centerfield and threw a frozen rope behind a runner who overshot second base just a fraction of a second before a Worcester Academy runner crossed home plate. With Worcester poised to break out for a big inning, Superko's throw halted all of Worcester's offensive momentum and kept the game tied at two runs apiece.

Superko's throw prevented Worcester from taking the lead in the fourth inning, but Andover Baseball eventually lost the first game of its doubleheader 4-3, just a day after falling to BB&N 3-2 in a walkoff finish.

Robby Cerulle '17, the only Junior on the team, tossed almost seven innings in a tough-luck loss on a walkoff hit. Cerulle allowed three runs in his pitching debut for Andover, proving his mettle in a tough matchup against an offensive-minded team.

"Being my first start, all I wanted to do was throw strikes. I know I have a great defense behind me, and I was just thinking about hitting the mitt," said Cerulle. "I was expecting to [pitch] probably about five innings, but I was cruising for the last couple innings, so [Head Coach Kevin Graber] left me in there."

Down 2-1 in the top of the seventh inning, Matt Ilalio '14 connected on a deep double to drive in Chris Hohlstein '14, tying the game at two runs apiece. BB&N, however, responded with timely hitting in the bottom of the seventh to escape with a win.

"We worked all last week on hitting approaches and how to find our pitch. We looked at good pitches to hit and different counts, and that was what we were looking to do against Worcester. We saw the kinds of struggles we had against BB&N, and we wanted to get better at the plate against Worcester," said John Simourian '16.

In the first game against Worcester, Thomas Lane '15 continued his hot streak, pitching a second consecutive complete game, allowing only one earned run. In his last two games, Lane has pitched 14 innings, allowed three earned runs and has lowered his season Earned Run Average to 1.65.

The late game of the doubleheader against Worcester turned into a classic pitcher's duel, with Worcester providing just enough offensively to pull through a 1-0 win.

While Superko and Andy Hamel '14 combined to hold the Worcester bats to just one run, Andover could not build any sort of momentum at the plate and was shut out for the first time this season.

"What really went wrong against Worcester was our lack of enthusiasm, especially at the plate. We're having some trouble hitting, but at times we are getting guys on base. It's just that when we have guys on base, we're not hitting very well. As [Graber] says, hitting and offense will come, but only if we bring energy and enthusiasm to each and every game and practice," said Payton Jancsy '16, a bright spot in the lineup through eight games of the season. A first-year Varsity player, Jancsy sports a .360 batting average and leads the team in hits, going 9-25.

Hoping to halt a three-game losing skid, Andover squared off against Cushing Academy on Monday, which had won four of its last five games, but eventually fell 5-3 in Andover's fourth consecutive game scoring three or fewer runs.

"We've been working on our hitting a lot in practice... It didn't really work out against Cushing, but our defense and pitching have been great, and if we get the bats going, we should get more wins," said Jancsy.

The four losses in this last week worsened Andover's record to 1-7, but the players will be looking for an offensive breakout to turn the early-season swoon around against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) tomorrow. Last year's CNEPSBL Champions went 10-7 overall last year and just 5-5 in league play.

Sam Zager '15 joined Andover as a catcher in his Junior year.

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Tommy Lane '15 holds a 1.68 ERA in his last three appearances.

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Salvadore, Lane and Hamel Combine in Victory

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Andover	3
Brooks	1

With Andover in need of a strong ending to an otherwise well-rounded performance, Andy Hamel '14 toed the rubber in the bottom of the seventh and promptly struck out the three batters he faced to give Andover a 3-1 win over Brooks.

In addition to Hamel's pitching, Tim Salvadore '15 and Thomas Lane '15 combined for another strong performance. Lane threw two scoreless innings, lowering his Earned Run Average over his last three appearances to 1.68.

The win was Andover's first since April 12, when it defeated nationally ranked DeMatha Catholic on a walkoff blast up the middle from Kevin Superko '14. Against Brooks, Andover took advantage of a strong pitching performance and plated just enough runners to grab the win over a 1-8 Brooks team.

Andover's offense, which has only scored eight runs in the last four games, tallied eight hits and three runs in the first five innings of the game, giving Hamel a small cushion before the final inning.

Despite the win, the players still have their sights set on a greater goal—more offense. Andover has been held to three or fewer runs in its last six games, but the players are looking to buck that trend.

"Our pitchers have been doing a great job keeping us in games, and it's about time we give them some run support, and soon those close games will come our way," said Payton Jancsy '16.

"When you let teams that grind out games hang around, they sometimes get the confidence they need to come back, but luckily, our pitchers were able to shut them down," he continued.

Andover will play Groton on Friday and Exeter in a doubleheader on Saturday for a chance to improve upon its 2-7 record.

Four Game Win Streak Stopped By Cushing

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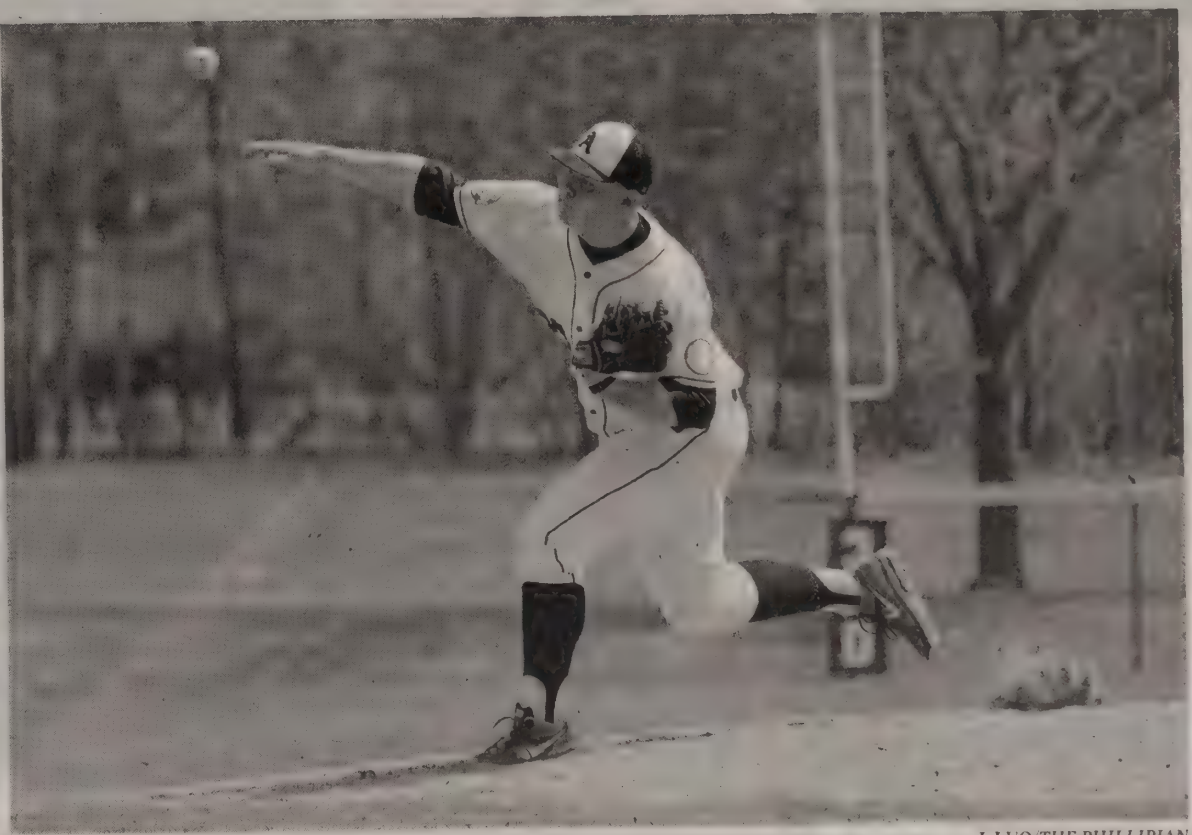
Andover	6
Groton	2
Andover	13
Exeter	3
Andover	9
Exeter	7
Andover	1
Cushing	2



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Thomas Lane '15 pitched six innings in the first game with Exeter, lowering his ERA to 1.64 over his last four starts.

After cracking a long hit deep into the outfield, Andover Baseball Co-Captain Chris Hohlstein '14 burst out of the batter's box. While Groton outfielders were tracking down the ball, Hohlstein rounded the bases with Head Coach Kevin Graber frantically windmilling his arm, giving Hohlstein the greenlight to go for home. The throw came to the catcher, but Hohlstein extended his arms over the plate before the catcher could get the tag down ,and Andover took a lead on the inside-the-park home run that it would never surrender in a 6-2 win against Groton.

The win against Groton was the first of Andover's three-win week, which included a doubleheader sweep of rival Phillips Exeter Academy.

Hohlstein's inside-the-park home run was one of just five hits for Andover, but the offense still managed to score six runs. Andover's smarts on the basepaths and patience at the plate helped it overcome the lack of hits to put forth its best offensive performance of the year.

Payton Jancsy '16 led the offensive charge with a double, two runs and four stolen bases, while Kevin Superko '14 had one hit, one run and two runs batted in. Jancsy's four steals set a season high record in a single game.

Backed by a strong offensive display, Matt Hosman '15 pitched admirably in his first start of the year, allowing seven hits and two runs, while striking out three batters in seven innings.

The win against Groton gave Andover significant momentum going into a pivotal doubleheader against Exeter. Needing wins in both games to remain in the CNEPSBL playoff hunt, Andover pulled through with scores of 13-3 and 9-7.

The first game featured a well-rounded performance, with Thomas Lane '15 pitching six innings. He allowed one run off of three hits, lowering his Earned Run Average even further to 1.64 over his last four starts.

"Lane's been awesome. It's great to have him out on the mound and know he's going to pitch well. His slider has been ridiculous, and it has been a lot of fun to watch him pitch," said Co-Captain Mark Sullivan '14.

John Festa '15 contributed three hits in the first game, leading the offense to 13 runs in the blowout victory. He continued his prowess at the plate in Game 2, when he tallied three more hits in a much closer 9-7 game.

Tim Salvadore '15 pitched well enough to keep Andover in contention for Game 2, allowing four hits and striking out four — the lead changed hands five times over the course of the first four innings. Kenta Nomoto '14 stroked an RBI single in the fourth to give Andover the lead for good.

In the three wins, Andover scored a combined 28 runs, which was more than the 26 combined runs that the team had scored in the ten games prior.

"We've been working as a team on our approach, and we've been working on keeping the ball out of the air. We've practiced hitting hard lines drives and hard ground balls instead," said Sullivan.

Sam Zager '15 added, "Coach Graber has told us that if we stay on top of the ball and keep it low, everything else will take care of itself. Guys aren't trying to do too much anymore. We try to get singles and get the next guy home. Everyone has been relying on each other pretty well, and it's been working."

Andover looked to continue its hot streak when it played Cushing on Wednesday, but the bats fell quiet again, only mustering up one run. Cushing escaped with a 2-1 victory as the game ended with a close play at the plate.

Despite the loss, Andover made significant progress this past week, improving its record to 5-8 this season. Andover will square off against Deerfield on Saturday in another crucial doubleheader.

5/9/14

Championship Bid Ends with Tabor

By Pranav Tadikonda
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	11
Tabor	2
Andover	9
Dexter	4

Despite receiving a combined six innings and two runs allowed from Thomas Lane '15 and Andrew Hamel '14, Andover Baseball's offense struggled to find its footing against P.J. Poulin '15 of Tabor Academy. Poulin fired a no-hitter in a 2-0 win in the first round of the Central New England Prep School Baseball League (CNEPSBL) Tournament, and Tabor was crowned champion of the tournament in the second round after defeating Cushing Academy.

Lane pitched the first four innings of the game, allowing two runs, one earned and one unearned. Tabor tallied its first run on an error in the third and on an RBI single in the fourth. Hamel took over in the fifth inning to keep Andover in the game, but Poulin shut down Andover's offense.

After back-to-back championships, Andover had high hopes entering the tournament. Unlike other years, however, Andover had to fight its way into the tournament, needing two wins against Deerfield a week beforehand to qualify. After eking into the tournament as the fourth seed, Andover was matched up against Tabor, a team Andover had defeated 9-1 just four days earlier.

That offense, however, was nowhere to be found on Saturday. Scoring runs proved to be a tall task against Poulin, who is committed to the University of Connecticut to play baseball.

"I knew they had a great pitcher on the mound and I knew he was going to be able to put up a lot of zeroes, and I just wanted to do that, too. I wanted to match what their pitcher was doing and keep us close to give us a good chance to win," said Lane.

Despite the loss in the tournament, Andover still had two games to play, with one coming against Dexter on Wednesday and one against Exeter on Saturday.

"Even though we lost on Saturday, [Head] Coach [Kevin Graber] told us that there's still baseball to be played, and he emphasized that we still needed to bring energy every single time we play," said Matt Whalen '16.

Against Dexter, Andover certainly brought energy, offensively and defensively, downing Dexter 9-4, highlighted by a seven-run fifth inning.

Hamel threw six innings, allowing one earned run, and Kevin Superko '14 finished off the game, allowing three unearned runs in the seventh.

"We hit the ball hard today, we battled with two strikes and when we got pitches we could hit, we took advantage and drove them to the gaps. We stayed on top of the ball and everyone contributed a little bit," said Payton Jancsy '16.

The loss against Tabor and win against Dexter brings Andover's season record to an even 9-9. Andover will finish its season against Exeter with a winning season on the line. Should Andover win, it would be the team's eighth win in its last 10 games and would be a fitting send-off for this year's Seniors.

"We just want to end the season on a high note and use the momentum from Dexter to take out Exeter. It's a big game for our Seniors. Even though we weren't able to win the tournament like we have in the past couple years, we just want to go out on a good note," said Lane.

5/23/14

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Payton Jancsy '16 graduated from the JV1 team to play for Varsity this season.

Sport: Boys Crew

Year: 2014

Captain: Gregory Bitler

Coach: Stewart McDonald

Assistant Coach: Dale Hurley

SEASON RECORD

WON LOST TIED

New England Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Arnold, Rome
Beckwith, Benjamin
Bitler, Gregory
Blandon, Diego
Cao, Alexander
Dackiw, Jean-Sebastien
Faulkner, Nicholas
Hawley, Benjamin
Hurley, Cooper
Irvin, Robert
Kozol, Jacob
Lane, John
Lapointe, Colby
Mackall, Gray
Neumann, Alfred
Norris, Dylan
Page, Carter
Rauh, Jacob
Robertson, Nicolas
Schoeller, Christina
Sevastopoulo, Marc
Sharp, Simon
Simpson, Scott
Stuer, Kory
Taylor, Jake
Vallejos, Andrew
Washburn, Chandler

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Crew
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Adams, Michael	2015	Andover, MA
Arnold, Rome	2014	New York, NY
Beckwith, Benjamin	2015	Andover, MA
Bitler, Gregory*	2014	Roaring Gap, NC
Bitler, Luke	2017	Roaring Gap, NC
Blanchard, Gabriel	2016	Andover, MA
Blandon, Diego	2015	New Canaan, CT
Cao, Alexander	2016	Cohoes, NY
Carroll, Claire	2014	Cold Spring, NY
Comte, Jules	2016	Eyguieres, FRA
Cortner, Andrew	2017	Andover, MA
Dackiw, Jean-Sebastien	2014	Westmount, QC, CAN
Driscoll, Aidan	2017	Philadelphia, PA
Dziadosz, Alexander	2016	Boxford, MA
Early, Liam	2017	Chelmsford, MA
Faulkner, Nicholas	2016	Homer, AK
Gillis, Cameron	2017	Reading, MA
Gu, Angela	2015	Andover, MA
Hawley, Benjamin	2015	Manchester, MA
Herz, Jackson	2017	New York, NY
Humphrey, William	2016	Lake Forest, IL
Hurley, Cooper	2014	Andover, MA
Irvin, Robert	2015	Prides Crossing, MA
Johnson, Nathaniel	2016	Carpentersville, IL
Kane, Samuel	2016	Brookline, MA
Kozol, Jacob	2015	North Andover, MA
Lane, John	2015	New Canaan, CT
Lapointe, Colby	2016	Kennebunk, ME
Lawlor, John	2017	Salem, NH
Lawrence, Eric	2016	Sands Point, NY
Lee, Eric	2016	Andover, MA
Lian, Tyler	2016	Old Lyme, CT
Little, John	2015	Salt Lake City, UT
Liu, Zicong	2016	Tewksbury, MA
Mackall, Gray	2015	Santa Barbara, CA
McDonnell, Claire	2016	Glen Cove, NY
McKenna, John	2017	Palm Beach, FL
Meshnick, David	2017	Andover, MA
Neumann, Alfred	2015	Point Clear, AL
Norris, Dylan	2016	Andover, MA
Ofori, Gustav	2017	Bronx, NY
Orgul, Sarp	2016	Marysville, WA
Page, Carter	2015	Glenview, IL
Paleologos, Arthur	2017	Lynnfield, MA
Pierce, Isaac	2016	Newburyport, MA
Rauh, Jacob	2014	Andover, MA
Robertson, Nicolas	2015	Chevy Chase, MD
Rossano, Peter	2017	Topsfield, MA
Schoeller, Christina	2016	Concord, MA
Sevastopoulo, Marc	2015	New York, NY
Sharp, Simon	2015	Bellevue, WA
Simpson, Scott	2014	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
Slibeck, Bennett	2017	New York, NY
Stuer, Kory	2015	North Chelmsford, MA
Sweeting, Alexander	2014	Nassau, BHS
Taylor, Jake	2016	Sagaponack, NY
Teece, Tennyson	2015	Berkeley, CA
Twomey, Jack	2017	Reading, MA
Vallejos, Andrew	2014	Elmsford, NY
Washburn, Chandler	2016	Andover, MA
Williamson, Justin	2016	Naperville, IL
Wolford, Claire	2015	Erie, PA
Xuan, Lucius	2015	Newton, MA

**Captain*

Coach: Stewart MacDonald
Assistant Coaches: Parker Washburn, Jigger Herman

Boys Crew Spring 2014

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
4/5/2014	Simsbury, Glastonbury, and Essex	H
4/12/2014	Kent	H
4/19/2014	ST. JOHN'S/SIMSB/EXETER	A
4/26/2014	Salisbury/Brunswick/BC High	H
5/3/2014	St. Paul's/CRI	A
5/10/2014	Tabor/Exeter/NMH	H
5/17/2014	Hingham/BelHill/Shrewsbury	H
5/24/2014	INTERSCHOLASTICS	A

High School/Scholastic: Boys Eights Phillips Academy Andover Boys vs. Simsbury and Essex
April 5, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Strong Tail Current - Floating Start - Because of the conditions some races started above the starting line while others started after the starting line.
Comments: Andover would like to thank Essex Rowing and Simsbury for coming and racing today. Despite the less than ideal conditions all crews did a great job experiencing some good competitive racing.

Results

B1:	
Andover	4:43
Simsbury	4:49
Essex	4:59
B2:	
Andover	4:33
Essex	4:41
Simsbury	4:52

B3:	
Andover (B3)	4:10
Andover (B4)	4:17
Simsbury (B3)	4:25
Andover (B5)	4;43
B6-B7:	
Andover (B6)	5:10
Andover (B7)	5:33

High School/Scholastic: Boys Eights Phillips Academy Andover Boys vs. Kent School Boys
April 12, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Strong tail current - floating starts - some crews started above the line while others started below the line in order to get crews properly aligned.
Comments: Andover Crew would like to thank Kent Crew for being a great guest and providing some great racing.

Results

B1:	
Kent	4:34.5
Andover	4:36.8
B2:	
Andover	4:27.5
Kent	4:32.2

B3:	
Andover	4:38.4
Kent	4:44.1
B4:	
Andover	4:52
Andover (B5)	5:08
Kent	5:19
B6-B7:	
Andover (B6)	5:11.6
Andover (B7)	5:13.1

High School/Scholastic: SJ/SHS Invitational Boys & Girls
April 19, 2014; Lake Quinsigamond

Submitted by Pam Krause.
Distance: -1500m
Conditions: Very windy, choppy conditions. Mainly a tailwind with a slight cross wind in most races.
Comments: The BV1 started 50 meters over the line. BV2 started 1 boat length past the line. BV3 were 1.5 lengths over at the start. BV4 started 150 meters over the line. GV4 restarted at the 1000 meters to go mark. Most crews were over the line with the wind, but alignment was very close for all races.

Results

Varsity 8:	
Exeter Boys	4:08.7
Andover	4:10.9
Brookline	4:14.7
St Johns	4:16.3
Simsbury	4:17.5
Northfield Mt Hermon	4:26.2
Shrewsbury	4:34.7

2nd Varsity 8:	
Andover Boys	4:31.5
Exeter	4:32.5
St Johns	4:36.4
Brookline	4:38.6
Simsbury	4:47.5
Shrewsbury	5:22.3

Boys 3V8:	
Andover	4:38.4
Exeter	4:38.9
Brookline	4:41.6
St Johns	4:42.9
Simsbury	5:03.8
Shrewsbury	5:25.7

Boys 4V8:	
Andover	4:27.9
Exeter	4:43.6
Brookline	5:01.4
St Johns	5:06.6
Simsbury	5:26.5
Shrewsbury	5:35.6

Frosh/Novice 8:	
Andover A Girls4V8	3:44.4
Exeter	3:59.5
Andover B	4:02.3
Shrewsbury	4:13.0
Simsbury	5:22.1

Boys 5V8:	
Andover	5:10.4
Brookline	5:46.5
St Johns	6:02.9

Girls 1V8:	
Exeter	4:57.0
Andover	5:00.0
Brookline	5:15.0
Simsbury	5:23.5
Boston Latin	5:24.3
Northfield Mt Hermon	5:31.0
Shrewsbury	5:31.7

Girls 2V8:	
Exeter	5:07.3
Andover	5:15.6
Simsbury	5:30.5
Northfield Mt Hermon	5:39.8
Shrewsbury	5:44.3
Brookline	5:51.3
Boston Latin	6:10.5

Girls 3V8:	
Andover	NTT
Exeter	NTT
Shrewsbury	5:27.7
Brookline	5:40.3
Simsbury	6:03.4

High School/Scholastic: Boys Eights Phillips Academy vs. BC High, Brunswick, and Salisbury
April 26, 2014; Merrimack River, Methuen MA

Submitted by Dale Hurley.
Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Conditions flat water, very slight following current, light quartering headwind. All boats started on stake boats.

Comments: Andover would like to thank BC High, Brunswick and Salisbury for a great day of racing.

Results

B1:	
Brunswick	4:47.2
Andover	4:49.1
BC High	4:52.8
Salisbury	4:58.2
B2:	
Andover	4:56.9
Brunswick	5:02.1
BC High	5:03.1
Salisbury	5:11.2

B3:	
Andover	5:04
Brunswick	5:09
BC High	5:13
Salisbury	5:29
B4:	
Andover	5:07.2
BC High	5:19.5
Brunswick	5:23.5
B5:	
Andover	5:24
BC High	5:34
Brunswick	5:34
Salisbury (B4)	5:46
B6:	
Andover (B6)	5:34
Andover (B7)	5:49
BC High	6:06

High School/Scholastic: St. Paul's School (boys' eights) vs. Phillips Academy and CRI
May 3, 2014; Turkey Pond Concord, NH

Submitted by Colin Campbell.

Distance: 1500m
Conditions: Light crossing wind that diminished as the racing progressed. 65 degrees and overcast.
Comments: Order of racing: 5-3-2-1-4. Conditions were nearly ideal for racing. The floating starts were easy to line up on the line, and the crews had every opportunity to race. Thank you to Andover and CRI for making the trip up, and thank you to all of the crews for great racing.

Results

	Varsity 8:
CRI	4:20.0
PA	4:20.1
SPS	4:38.6
	2nd Varsity 8:
PA	4:37.3
CRI	4:47.7
SPS	4:54.1
	3rd Varsity 8:
PA	4:43.1
CRI	4:59.3
SPS	4:59.9
	4th Varsity 8:
PA	4:48.2
CRI	NTT
SPS	5:30.7

5th Varsity 8:	
PA-5	5:05.0
CRI-5	5:08.7
PA-6	5:22.1

High School/Scholastic: Boys Eights
May 10, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Race with current, slight cross tail, and flat water. All boats were started from stake boats.
Comments: This competition between Andover, Exeter,and Tabor for the "David Swift Points Trophy" is awarded to the team that performs the best in the top 4 boats in both girls and boys races. For second year in a row the Team points trophy was a tie between the Andover and Exeter teams. Andover would like to thank Exeter, Northfield Mount Herman, and Tabor for coming up to race today. *B1 race was dead heat for second place between Exeter and Tabor.*

Results

B1*:	
Andover	4:39.8
Exeter*	4:41.6
Tabor*	4:41.6
NMH	4:44.6
B2:	
Exeter	4:54.4
Andover	4:55
Tabor	4:56
Nmh	5:07.5

2nd Frosh/Novice 8:	
Tabor (B6)	5:47.5
Andover (B7)	5:57.3
B3:	
Andover	4:54.1
Exeter	4:57.1
Tabor	5:22.3
NMH	5:42.3
B4:	
Andover	5:04.8
Exeter	5:09

High School/Scholastic: Boys Eights Phillips Academy Andover Boys vs. Hingham and Shrewsbury
May 17, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.
Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Tail current, all boats started from a stake boat, cross tail that was inconsistent - varying for each race.
Comments: Andover would like to thank Hingham and Shrewsbury Crews for the great competition, excellent sportsmanship, and the beautiful weather. We look forward to seeing you again next weekend.

Results

B1:	
Andover	4:44
Hingham	4:54
Shrewsbury	5:17
B2:	
Andover	5:02
Hingham	5:12
Shrewsbury	5:36

B3:	
Andover	5:04
Hingham	5:31
B4:	
Andover	5:04
Hingham	5:26
B5:	
Andover (B5)	5:22
Andover (B6)	5:43
Hingham	5:50
B6 (4+):	
Andover	6:14
Hingham	6:19

Interscholastics 5/24/2014
Away Championship
Boys win New England Championship

Andover G1 – 5th in Grand final
Andover B1 – 1st New England Champions (Gold Medalists)
Andover G2 – 5th in Grand final
Andover B2 – 2nd in Grand final (Silver Medalists)
Andover G3 – 3rd in Grand final (Bronze Medalists)
Andover B3 – 2nd place in Grand final (Silver Medalists)

The Boys won the Boys Eight Teams Point Trophy and the Girls placed fourth in the Girls Eight Teams Point Trophy.

All Andover boats (both Girls and Boys) made the grand finals for the first time since 2011, a great day for Andover!

Oars Hit The Water Under New Coach

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Under the lead of new Head Coach Stewart MacDonald, Andover Boys Crew is striving to avenge the disappointing end to last season.

B1 finished sixth place at NEIRA with a final regular season record of 3-4, and B2 finished third place at NEIRA with a regular season record of 5-2.

Both boats are striving to improve on last year's records. Robert Irvin '15, Ben Hawley '15, Cooper Hurley '14, Grant Bitler '14 and Rome Arnold '14 will lead the team through their combined experience on the water and extensive knowledge of the sport. Mark Sevastopoulo '15, a returning Varsity rower, is currently out with an injury. Chandler Washburn '16, Nick Faulkner '16, Dylan Norris '16 and Jake Taylor '16 will play also a key role on the Varsity boats.

"Being able to row with the Varsity boats throughout preseason has been awesome. It feels great to be in the boat with everyone; the older guys are all incredibly talented rowers. I am really excited to begin the season. Every year we have a good shot at New Englands, but this year we have an especially talented group of rowers," added Faulkner.

The team began training on the Merrimack River on March 21 and will continue to train intensely until its first scrimmage on April 5 against Essex Rowing Club.

"We want to have a strong base and to be in good physical shape, so that we can go into the water and finesse our technique. It's hard to tell how good we truly look because we have only been on the water for a short period of time and have not had a chance to do any power pieces yet," said Bitler.

In addition, the rowers are getting more familiar with the new coaching style of Coach MacDonald.

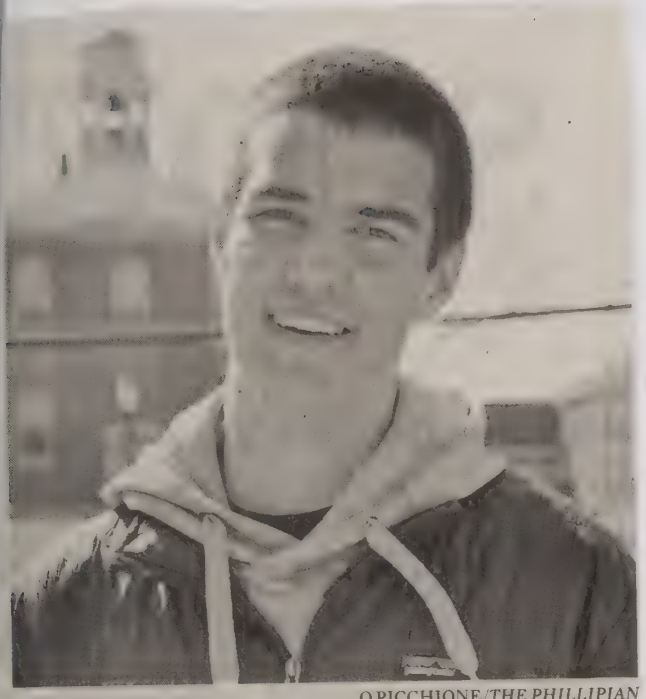
"Everyone is adjusting well to Coach MacDonald, and when it comes down to it, it is all about us coming together as a team and getting the job done at each race," said Hurley.

The team chemistry will be crucial for Andover's success this season.

"We are really clicking as a group this year; our team chemistry is great. Everyone is really coming together, which is great because Crew is a sport that really relies on teamwork," said Bitler.

Following its scrimmage against Essex on the 4th, Andover will race Kent at home on the 12th in hopes of reclaiming the Dent Oars, the Kent race's prize.

"We lost to Kent pretty badly last year, but this year the race is at home, and we are ready for redemption," said Bitler. 3/28/14



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Ben Hawley '15

BOYS CREW

Ben Hawley '15 is poised to build on his strong showing last year as Andover Boys Crew attempts to reclaim the title of the best crew team in the league. Coming in at a towering 6'5", Hawley has a knack for keeping the rhythm and pace of the boat, consistently pulling with composure and finesse. Teammate Marc Sevastopoulo '15 said that there are two different kinds of rowers: Those who pull as hard as they can and then collapse when they are needed most and those who race from start to finish. Ben Hawley is a prime example of one of a rower who keeps his pace from beginning to end and just keeps on pulling, one fierce stroke after another, according to Sevastopoulo. 3/28/14

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B1 raced to a time of 4:43 on Saturday.

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys Crew opened up its race season with an overwhelming sweep of Essex Rowing Club and Simsbury High School this past Saturday. The team's past two weeks of training on the Merrimack River have paid off as the team claimed first place in each of the five races.

Because of the cold and windy weather, the conditions on the river were rough. There was a strong tail current, which resulted in a floating start, so the starting places were not consistent. The times posted in different races were recorded over different distances and under different conditions.

Rowing alongside Captain Grant Bitler '14 in B1 were Rome Arnold '14, Js Dackiw '14, Ben Hawley '15, Cooper Hurley '14, Dylan Norris '16 and Marc Sevastopoulo '15. The boat, led by coxswain Jake Rauh '14, finished with a time of 4:43, six seconds ahead of Simsbury and 16 seconds in front of Essex.

B2 boasted an even larger gap between Andover and its opponents. At 4:33, the boat found the finish line eight seconds before Essex and 19 seconds before Simsbury.

"For numerous boats to come in first place in the first race in the season meant a lot to the whole team. My boat [B2] was primarily made up of all first-time Varsity rowers, and to be able to win our race by such a large margin [four lengths] felt incredible," said Jake Taylor '16, a rower on B2.

Andover looks to use this positive momentum to propel it in its race this weekend against Kent and hopes to reclaim the Dent Oars, an honor bestowed on the yearly winner of this rivalry.

4/11/14

BOYS CREW

Two Seconds Between B1 and Kent

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After being neck-and-neck for the first 1000 meters of the race, Andover Boys Crew B2 pulled away from rival school Kent. Led by rookie coxswain Christina Schoeller '16, B2 flew down Lane 1 in the final stretch to win the race by one-and-a-half boat lengths.

Rowing under Schoeller's instruction were Andrew Vallejos '14, Tora Liu '16, Scott Simpson '14, Alex Cao '16, Dylan Norris '16, Jack Lane '15, Nick Faulkner '16 and stroke Chandler Washburn '16. With a time of 4:27.5, B2 glided across the finish line five seconds before Kent.

"It was a great race. Our boat had a nice rhythm and lots of power with each stroke. It felt awesome to pull out the win against such a good team. The win gives us the confidence that we can do really well this season," said Faulkner.

Even though B1 ended up losing its race, it was still a great day for Andover on the Merrimack. All seven of the boats raced.

After falling behind in the beginning of its race, B1 was unsuccessful in its attempt to close the gap on Kent. The boat fell two seconds short of victory and was unable to reclaim the Dent Oars, finishing with a 4:36.8 time.

Kent is a notoriously strong rowing school and has been one of Andover's fiercest competitors for years. The B1 rowers were disappointed to lose the race, but are focused on improving their starts during practice this week.

"They were a fast crew, and so are we. They've had a little more water time than us which helped them with their blade strength. Not trying to make any excuses for us; they were a good crew. The loss just makes us more determined to be successful throughout the rest of our season," said Captain Grant Bitler '14.

Andover will take on Simsbury, St. John's Prep and Phillips Exeter Academy on Saturday.

4/18/14

B2 Cements First Place Streak

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Recent trends prevailed as B1 sucumbbed to a narrow defeat while B2 found victory for Andover Boys Crew against archrival Exeter last Saturday.

Despite losing to Exeter, B1 did well to place second in a field of seven that included Brookline, St. Johns, Simsbury, Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) and Shrewsbury. Two seconds came between Andover and first place Exeter. The two boats were neck-and-neck for the first 750 meters of the race, but Andover could not keep up with Exeter's sprint in the final stretch.

Although the close loss may have been upsetting, Andover's B1 has most certainly improved after placing third in the same invitational in 2013. However, after losing to Kent by just over two seconds on April 12, B1 looks to close the gap before it becomes a recurrence.

"We rowed much stronger and harder than we had [against Kent]. We had a more competitive attitude because we were coming off of a loss. But technically, we were less sound and together. We really lacked in the sprint at the end, and will work on it this week in practice. We want to be fully ready for our next race," said Marc Sevastopoulo '15.

Rowing with Sevastopoulo on B1 were Rob Irvin '15, Ben Hawley '15, Dylan Norris '16, Chandler Washburn '16, Nick Faulkner '16, Rome Arnold '14 and Nico Robertson '15.

Andover's B2 came in first once again, barely escaping with a one second lead over Exeter. After some reworking of the boats, B2 took on a core of four Seniors in Captain Grant Bitler '14, Cooper Hurley '14, Scott Simpson '14 and Andrew Vallejos '14. With the help of Jack Lane '15, Gray Mackall '15, Colby Lapointe '16, Alex Cao '16 and coxswain Jacob Kozol '15, B2 pulled a 4:31.5 and advanced the boat's record to 3-0.

Conditions were not favorable as the boats battled rough, choppy conditions on the water. With a strong tailwind and a slight crosswind, most of the races started past the starting line.

Andover will take on Salisbury, Brunswick, BC High and Boston Latin this upcoming Saturday back on the Merrimack. 4/25/14

B2 Continues Undefeated Streak as B1 Struggles

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys Crew B2 raced past Boston College High in 4:56.9 to extend its winning streak to four races. The boat beat BC High, the reigning Second-Boat New England Champions, by six seconds. Andover also defeated Brunswick and Salisbury last Saturday on the Merrimack River.

"It was the boat's best race of the season and the best race of my Andover career so far. We all locked in together perfectly and produced an insane amount of power. We were really proud of our performance," said Jake Taylor '16.

B2 Seniors Cooper Hurley '14, Scott Simpson '14 and Andrew Vallejos '14 spearheaded the victory, accompanied by Jack Lane '15, Dylan Norris '16, Jake Taylor '16, Nick Faulkner '16 and Alex Cao '16. The coxswain was Christina Schoeller '16.

B1, however, fell for its third straight week. The team finished less than two seconds behind a speedy Brunswick team. Andover lost momentum in the final stretch of the race after starting its sprint at the 500-meter mark.

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B1 will look to break its three-meet losing streak against St. Paul's and CRI.

Marc Sevastopoulo '15 said that B1 lacked physical endurance and sprinting ability during the race. The team will conduct rigorous sprinting drills this week to improve its 1-3 record, said Sevastopoulo.

B1 was led by coxswain Jake Rauh '14 and pulled a 4:49.1.The rowers on B1 included Rob Irvin '15, Ben Hawley '15, Sevastopoulo, Captain Grant Bitler '14, Chandler Washburn '16, Nico Robertson '15, Rome Arnold '14 and JS Dackiw '14.

Andover will race against St. Paul's and Community Rowing Incorporation (CRI) this Saturday at St. Paul's.

5/2/14

Seating Change Earns B1 Season Best

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys Crew's B1's delivered an impressive best time of the season at 4:20.1 against Community Rowing Incorporation (CRI), just 0.1 seconds short of taking home a win.

Hoping to shake things up, B1 changed its seating arrangement before heading into the race. Head Coach Stewart MacDonald implemented a bucket rig, meaning that the rowers in seats four and five, Nico Robertson '15 and Dylan Norris '16, were both starboards and rowed on the same side of the boat. The positioning was contrary to the traditional alternation of starboards and ports.

The drop in time was encouraging, and the B1 rowers hope to build on their performance this week. With two races left before Interschols, Andover must break its string of second place finishes to be in the running for the championship.

"B1 is full of hardworking rowers who all really want to win. On Saturday we exemplified our dedication and rowed arguably the best race of our season so far. Although it would have felt better to win, CRI is traditionally one of the fastest crews in the nation, so losing to them by only 0.1 seconds showed us that we have the ability to beat any team," said Nick Faulkner '16. "We are very ready to win."

B1 consisted of Faulkner, Norris, Robertson, Chandler Washburn '16, Ben Hawley '15, Rob Irvin '15, Marc Sevastopoulo '15, Rome Arnold '14 and coxswain Jake Rauh '14.

Jacob Kozol '15 coxed B2 to a convincing ten-second victory in 4:37.3 to continue its undefeated season. The rowers in B2 were Cooper Hurley '14, Scott Simpson '14, Jake Taylor '16, Captain Grant Bitler '14, Alex Cao '16, Js Dackiw '14, Jack Lane '15 and Andrew Vallejos '14.

B1 hopes to continue improving while B2 looks to continue its dominant streak. Andover will race against Exeter. B1's seeding at Interschols depends on its performance this weekend, a loss could put the team in fourth with an extremely difficult heat.

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Scott Simpson '14 is one of five Seniors on Andover's undefeated B2.

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B1 is seeded second out of 18 boats at Interschols (NEIRA's).

By Victoria Bergeron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys Crew's B1 and B2 claimed first place over both Hingham and Shrewsbury in their final regatta of the regular season last Saturday on the Merrimack.

After a critical win last weekend, B1 rode a wave of momentum to finish ten seconds ahead of their opponents. Coxswain Jake Rauh '14 steered Rome Arnold '14, Nick Faulkner '16, Marc Sevastopoulo '15, Dylan Norris '16, Nico Robertson '15, Rob Irvin '15, Ben Hawley '15 and Chandler Washburn '16.

Led by Coxswain Jacob Kozol '15, B2 pulled a victory by a ten-second margin as well. B2 rowers included Cooper Hurley '14, Js Dackiw '14, Jake Taylor '16, Captain Grant Bitler '14, Jack Lane '15, Ben Beckwith '15, Diego Blandon '15 and Andrew Vallejos '14.

"Our success this weekend stemmed from great practicing the week before. We had confidence in our power and knew that it would come naturally, so we focused more on our techniques and staying together as a unit. As a result, we were more in sync with each stroke," said Vallejos.

Andover's top three boats will participate at Interschols (NEIRAs) at Worcester on Saturday. B1 and B2 are ranked second out of the 18 boats in their respective races. B1 and B2 are hoping to improve upon their sixth and third place finishes, respectively, from last year, and B2, which has won all its races this season, looks to bring home the Championship.

B3 is headed into NEIRAs as the defending champion and the Number 1 seed among 16 boats.

"Right now, we are all just trying to stay relaxed. We are taking it one day at a time, one practice at a time. But come race day, everyone will be focused and out on the water to win. We have a great group of guys and everyone trusts each other. We feel good about our chances to bring home gold," said Washburn.

5/23/14

Sport: Girls Crew

Year: 2014

Captain: Colby Fagan & Victoria Everett

Coach: Dale Hurley

SEASON RECORD

WON LOST TIED

LETTER WINNERS

Allen, Adrienne
Cavanaugh, Cara
Chazen, Charlotte
Conklin, Janet
Disla, Alba
Everett, Victoria
Fagan, Colby
Fowler, Alexandra
Glover, Claire
Hawley, Samantha
Irvin, Elizabeth
Kemp, Elizabeth
Kingston, Alec
Krakauer, Amanda
Kuhn, Vienna
Lapage, Bridget
Marcus, Julia
McIntire, Kristin
Murree, Rachel
Nanda, Mary Catherine
Peterson, Efua
Ren, Qiqi
Santoro, Katherine
Tellekson-Flash, Claire
Tellekson-Flash, Willa
Unsworth, Olivia
Yin, Jessica
Yonkman, Fiona

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Crew
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown	Name	Year	Hometown
Allen, Adrienne	2016	Meredith, NH	Lapage, Bridget	2014	Shrewsbury, ENG
Allen, Alessandra	2016	Meredith, NH	Latham, Elizabeth	2016	Wayne, PA
Berkley, Isabella	2015	Redwood City, CA	Leduc, Audrey	2014	Montreal, QC, CAN
Bucklin, Laura	2014	Manhattan Beach, CA	Marcus, Julia	2015	Greenwich, CT
Cavanaugh, Cara	2015	North Andover, MA	Marin Alcala, Beatriz	2014	Zaragoza, Spain
Chazen, Charlotte	2015	New York, NY	McIntire, Kristin	2014	Andover, MA
Chen, Caroline	2014	San Diego, CA	Mello, Arianna	2015	New Bedford, MA
Conklin, Janet	2017	Norwood, NJ	Mesler, Evelyn	2017	Andover, MA
Cregg, Hannah	2016	Andover, MA	Munn, Paulina	2015	Owings Mills, MD
Disla, Alba	2015	Lawrence, MA	Murree, Rachel	2014	Solomons, MD
Everett, Victoria*	2014	Brockville, CAN	Nanda, Mary Catherine	2014	Shreveport, LA
Fagan, Colby*	2014	Dover, MA	Peterson, Efua	2014	Hopkins, MN
Feng, Claire	2017	Andover, MA	Ren, Qiqi	2015	Portland, OR
Folz, Marina	2015	Gruenwald, GER	Roberts, Alex-Maree	2016	Roseau, DMA
Fowler, Alexandra	2014	San Francisco, CA	Sallick, Skyler	2017	Westport, CT
Glover, Claire	2016	Andover, MA	Santoro, Katherine	2015	North Andover, MA
Griffiths, Nathalie	2016	Stonington, CT	Saxena, Juhi	2016	Lynnfield, MA
Hannam, Grace	2017	London, ENG	Singh, Oona	2016	Dubai, ARE
Hawley, Samantha	2016	Manchester, MA	Tao, Claire	2016	Basking Ridge, NJ
Hazard, Schuyler	2015	New Canaan, CT	Tawil, Meera	2014	Atlanta, GA
Holch, Chaya	2017	Brattleboro, VT	Tejera-Sindell, Isabel	2015	Madrid, Spain
Hollenbeck, Corissa	2016	North Andover, MA	Tellekson-Flash, Claire	2016	North Andover, MA
Holmes, Sarah	2016	Darien, CT	Tellekson-Flash, Willa	2014	North Andover, MA
Irvin, Elizabeth	2017	Prides Crossing, MA	Tows, Emmy	2014	Bovenden, GER
Kemp, Elizabeth	2015	Greenwich, CT	Unsworth, Olivia	2015	San Francisco, CA
Kim, Rhaime	2015	Seoul, KOR	White, Auguste	2017	Alexandria, VA
Kingston, Alec	2014	Swampscott, MA	Wincek, Kathryn	2014	Omaha, NE
Ko, Kalina	2017	North Andover, MA	Yin, Jessica	2014	Edison, NJ
Krakauer, Amanda	2015	Phoenix, AZ	Yonkman, Fiona	2016	Providence, RI
Kuhn, Vienna	2016	San Diego, CA	Zimmer, Anna	2017	North Andover, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Dale Hurley
Assistant Coaches: Bob Moss, Tori Lockwood

Girls Crew Spring 2014

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
4/5/2014	Simsbury, Glastonbury	H
4/12/2014	Kent	H
4/19/2014	pa/pea invitational	A
4/26/2014	Boston Latin Academy	H
5/3/2014	St. Paul's/CRI	A
5/10/2014	Tabor/Exeter/NMH	H
5/17/2014	Hingham/Shrewsbury	H
5/24/2014	INTERSCHOLASTICS	A

High School/Scholastic: Girls Eights
Phillips Academy Andover Girls vs. Simsbury and Essex
April 5, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Strong Tail Current - Floating Starts - Because of the conditions not all crews started at the same point on the course.
Comments: Andover would like to thank Essex and Simsbury for coming to the race. Despite less than ideal conditions all crews did an amazing job of experiencing some good competitive races.

Results

G1:		**G3:**	
Essex	4:42	Andover (G3)	4:59
Andover	4:46	Andover (G4)	5:00
Simsbury	4:52	Simsbury	5:04
G2:		**G5-G6:**	
Andover	5:15	Andover (G5)	6:08.3
Simsbury	5:36	Andover (G6)	6:08.3

High School/Scholastic: Girls Eights
Phillips Academy Andover Girls vs. Kent School Girls
April 12, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Strong tail current - floating starts - some crews started above the starting line while others were below. Wind shifted but was head wind for last 2/3 of race in most cases.
Comments: In the G3 race off the start Kent took a bad stroke putting them down almost a length and they stayed that way throughout the race. G4 race was started about ten to fifteen strokes past the starting line - in order to get crews aligned. Andover Crew would like to thank Kent Crew for being a great guest and providing some great racing.

Results

G1:		**G3:**	
Kent	5:15.5	Andover	5:28.6
Andover	5:22.8	Kent	5:31.4
G2:		**G4:**	
Kent	5:13.6	Andover	4:57.8
Andover	5:17.1	Kent	5:07.6
		Andover (G5)	5:25

High School/Scholastic: SJ/SHS Invitational
April 19, 2014; Lake Quinsigamond

Submitted by Pam Krause.

Distance: -1500m
Conditions: Very windy, choppy conditions. Mainly a tailwind with a slight cross wind in most races.
Comments: The BV1 started 50 meters over the line. BV2 started 1 boat length past the line. BV3 were 1.5 lengths over at the start. BV4 started 150 meters over the line. GV4 restarted at the 1000 meters to go mark. Most crews were over the line with the wind, but alignment was very close for all races.

Results

Varsity 8:	
Exeter Boys	4:08.7
Andover	4:10.9
Brookline	4:14.7
St Johns	4:16.3
Simsbury	4:17.5
Northfield Mt Hermon	4:26.2
Shrewsbury	4:34.7

2nd Varsity 8:	
Andover Boys	4:31.5
Exeter	4:32.5
St Johns	4:36.4
Brookline	4:38.6
Simsbury	4:47.5
Shrewsbury	5:22.3

Boys 3V8:	
Andover	4:38.4
Exeter	4:38.9
Brookline	4:41.6
St Johns	4:42.9
Simsbury	5:03.8
Shrewsbury	5:25.7

Boys 4V8:	
Andover	4:27.9
Exeter	4:43.6
Brookline	5:01.4
St Johns	5:06.6
Simsbury	5:26.5
Shrewsbury	5:35.6

Frosh/Novice 8:	
Andover A Girls4V8	3:44.4
Exeter	3:59.5
Andover B	4:02.3
Shrewsbury	4:13.0
Simsbury	5:22.1

Boys 5V8:	
Andover	5:10.4
Brookline	5:46.5
St Johns	6:02.9

Girls 1V8:	
Exeter	4:57.0
Andover	5:00.0
Brookline	5:15.0
Simsbury	5:23.5
Boston Latin	5:24.3
Northfield Mt Hermon	5:31.0
Shrewsbury	5:31.7

Girls 2V8:	
Exeter	5:07.3
Andover	5:15.6
Simsbury	5:30.5
Northfield Mt Hermon	5:39.8
Shrewsbury	5:44.3
Brookline	5:51.3
Boston Latin	6:10.5

Girls 3V8:	
Andover	NTT
Exeter	NTT
Shrewsbury	5:27.7
Brookline	5:40.3
Simsbury	6:03.4

High School/Scholastic: Girls Eights
Phillips Academy vs. Boston Latin
April 26, 2014; Merrimack River, Methuen MA

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Conditions flat water, very slight following current, light quartering headwind. Stake boat starts were used in all races.
Comments: Andover would like to thank Boston Latin for racing today.

Results

G1:		**G3:**	
Andover	5:31.5	Andover (G4)	6:03.8
Boston Latin	5:56	Andover (G5)	6:17.6
G2:		Boston Latin	7:09
Andover (G3)	5:48.2	**G4:**	
Andover (G2)	5:49.6	Andover (G6)	6:35.2
Boston Latin	6:14.4	Boston Latin	7:57

High School/Scholastic: St. Paul's School (girls eights) vs. Phillips Academy Andover, CRI
May 3, 2014; Turkey Pond, Concord NH

Submitted by Michael Spencer.

Distance: 1500 meters
Conditions: Calm with occasional slight quartering tailwind throughout the day, strongest at the start.
Comments: The girls 4th boat race started one length over the line. Order of racing: G5-G3-G2-G1-G4

Results
[* corrected *]

Varsity 8:		**G5:**	
CRI	4:58.2	PA	5:51.8
PA	5:07.2	CRI	5:54.9
SPS	5:16.2		
2nd Varsity 8:			
CRI	5:13.1		
PA	5:22.4		
SPS	5:23.0		
G3:			
CRI	5:24.3		
PA	5:27.2		
SPS	5:33.7		
G4:			
PA	5:32.9		
CRI	5:35.9		
SPS	5:57.1		

High School/Scholastic: Girls Eights
Phillips Academy Andover Girls vs. Exeter, Tabor, and Northfield Mount Herman
May 10, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Slight cross tail, flat water,and all races were started from stake boats.
Comments: This competition between Andover, Exeter,and Tabor for the "David Swift Points Trophy" is awarded to the team that performs the best in the top 4 boats in both girls and boys races. For second year in a row the Team points trophy was a tie between the Andover and Exeter teams. Andover would like to thank Exeter, Northfield Mount Herman, and Tabor for coming up to race today. *In G4 race NMH caught a crab after the first 1.5 minutes of race - recovered and then finished the race.*

Results

G1:	
Exeter	5:17.07
Andover	5:20.9
Tabor	5:21.5
NMH	5:32.9
G2:	
Exeter	5:21.8
Andover	5:34.5
NMH	5:39.5
Tabor	5:42.1

G3:	
Exeter	5:30.2
Andover	5:35.04
Tabor	5:59.6
NMH	6:07.3
G4*:	
Andover	5:48.6
Exeter	6:01.3
NMH	6:13.2
G5:	
Andover	5:45.9
NMH	6:22.17
Exeter	6:42.5
G6:	
Exeter	6:07.2
Andover	6:18.4

High School/Scholastic: Girls Eights
Phillips Academy Andover Girls vs. Hingham and Shrewsbury
May 17, 2014; Methuen, MA - Merrimack River

Submitted by Dale Hurley.

Distance: 1650 meters
Conditions: Tail current, all boats started from a stake boat, cross tail that was inconsistent - varying for each race.
Comments: Andover would like to thank Hingham and Shrewsbury Crews for the great competition, excellent sportsmanship, and the beautiful weather. We look forward to seeing you again next weekend.

Results

G1:	
Andover	5:20
Hingham	5:25
Shrewsbury	5:48
G2:	
Andover	5:40
Hingham	5:47
Shrewsbury	5:58

G3:	
Andover	5:44
Hingham	5:57
G4:	
Andover (G4)	5:45
Andover (G5)	5:56
Hingham	6:06
G5 (4+):	
Andover A	6:41
Andover B	7:00
Hingham	8:07

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Colby Fagan '14

GIRLS CREW

On the Girls Crew team, Colby Fagan '14 is the undisputed leader of this year's group of girls. According to teammates, Fagan works hard to involve each and every member of the team and consistently holds team dinners, workouts and meetings. Look for Fagan's strength and consistency to propel the first boat to success

".We are not focusing on the past and what we weren't able to do. We are determined to work hard and produce results we all can be proud of. Our strength this season is the commitment each girl shows when they step foot in the boat and focus on what needs to be done each day," said Fagan.

3/28/14

Core of Returners Carry Team

COURTESY OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY

Andover Girls Crew makes waves on the Merrimack River.

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Led by Co-Captains Colby Fagan '14 and Victoria Everett '14 and new Head Coach Dale Hurley, Andover Girls Crew anticipates a strong performance from a largely returning team.

"After seeing what the girls produced during preseason alone, we have high hopes for the team. Throughout the years that I have been part of the team, we have experienced ups and downs, but this year is going to be different," said Fagan. "A great level of respect and trust for one another has been established. We have significantly greater experience and depth this year."

Everett, who is currently sidelined by a knee injury, said, "We hope to continue building the great momentum established with this new team. With new coaches and new rowers, we anticipate an exciting change in the Girls Rowing program."

The experience of the team combined with a greater influx of new rowers than in recent years will allow for six total boats this season and a much larger talent pool.

Last season, G1 did not win any regular-season races but finished ninth in the final New England Interscholastic Rowing Association (Interschols) race and third at petite finals. G2 finished 2-5 during the regular season and placed third at Interschols.

"Because the talent is fairly equal throughout all six boats and certain spots in the top two boats will be interchangeable, the team will prioritize finding the combination of girls that will produce the best results.

"Rowing is more mental than physical, which is why our mentality has been a huge focus for the team this preseason. It is each individual's responsibility to pull harder so the person behind them can pull lighter," said Elizabeth Kemp '15.

A large component of developing this new mentality will fall on Hurley, who stresses the importance of team unity.

"Team unity is crucial for every rowing team because crew can sometimes become inter-competitive, which never leads to good results, especially in races," Kemp added.

The team will also spend more time on injury prevention with added stretching and core exercises.

As Andover Girls Crew expands and shifts its goals, the team hopes to catapult its boats to a successful season.

"This will be a year of growth for everyone as we improve individually and as a team. Each girl has been given the responsibility of believing in each other and molding a new level of commitment to this season and many seasons to come," said Everett.

The team will test the waters in its first race against Simsbury and Glastonbury on April 5.

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G1 has five Seniors on its boat.

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

As G1 of Andover Girls Crew approached the finish line, the team desperately fought to close the gap between its boat and that of Essex Rowing Club. Unfortunately, the girls lost to Essex by five seats, but finished ahead of Simsbury for second place.

In the first race of the year, G1 consisted of Mary Catherine Nanda '14, Alec Kingston '14, Cara Cavanaugh '15, Charlotte Chazen '15, Rachel Murree '14, Julia Marcus '15, Vienna Kuhn '16, Efua Peterson '14 and Alex Fowler '14.

"Our goal for this race was the first 50 strokes. It was awesome because after the first 50 we were two seats up on Essex, but after that it was clear everyone got a little nervous and began to rush the slide," said Marcus.

G2 found more luck, placing first and leaving a significant amount of water between it and second-place Simsbury.

Marcus said the team will work specifically on training for the body of the race in preparation for its race against Kent this weekend.

Although the Kent matchup will be tough, Andover and Head Coach Dale Hurley must retain their confidence to keep the season on track. 4/11/14

G1 Unable to Find First Win Against Kent

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

As Kent bolted from the starting line with incredible force, Andover trailed closely behind until about the 750-meter mark when its coxswain pushed the rowers to dig deeper and slowly Andover's second boat began to close the gap.

Both boats battled for the lead throughout the body of the race and with 250 meters to go, Andover's second boat began its final sprint to the finish line but fell short of first place by just 3.5 seconds. G1 also lost to Kent by 7.3 seconds.

"Kent has always been really fast off of the start and they normally come off with power and really high stroke ratings. If we had had more distance between our boat and the finish line we could have been able to pull ahead but we didn't have that extra edge," said Alec Kingston '14.

G1 fell behind Kent during the early stages of the race as it did not get off of the starting line with as much power and was a few seconds behind Kent for the majority of the race. However, this race marked significant improvement for G1's speed as last time it faced Kent, Andover lost by 15 seconds as opposed to 7.3 seconds.

"We are about 7 seconds faster than last year which is a huge success for the team. Our new mentality is that we stay long and strong, and this week in preparation for our race we will be working on our endurance in the body of the race," said Elizabeth Kemp '15

Now that the team is a few races into the season, it can start to focus on specific aspects of its racing technique to get better.

"We definitely improved from the first race, however there is still more work to be done. Now the team is focusing on the middle 500 and working to make up the last 7 seconds we lost by," said Julia Marcus '15.

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Anna Zimmer '17 gets ready to row her boat.

Andover will be racing against Exeter, NMH, Simsbury, Boston Latin, Shrewsbury, and Brookline this weekend on Lake Quinsigamond.

"This weekend our goal is to beat Exeter and start off with a win because we are racing them 3 times this season and they should be our toughest competition this Saturday. We are also racing Simsbury who we beat in our first race and we want to beat them by more to show our improvement from our hard work over the last two weeks," said Marcus.

4/18/14

GIRLS **CREW**

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Andover G1 and G2 beat Boston Latin by 24 and 55 seconds, respectively.

Exeter Triumphes

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In the lead at the 500-meter mark, G1 could feel Exeter hot on its tail as the two boats streaked towards the finish line. Striving for the lead, Exeter managed to bypass Andover and finish just three seconds ahead for first place last Saturday.

G1 finished in second at 5:00 exactly, 15 seconds ahead of third place Brookline, which was followed by Simsbury, Boston Latin, Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) and Shrewsbury.

"Exeter beat us last year, but this year they only beat us by three seconds, and we play them two more times this season. We're hoping to beat them at home," said Julia Marcus '15.

Qiqi Ren '15 said, "This is a good start. It is also good to know that we are really competitive and up there with the top crews this year."

In a similarly close race, G2 finished just eight seconds behind Exeter for a time of 5:15.60. The team clinched second place ahead of Simsbury, NMH, Shrewsbury, Brookline and Boston Latin.

After struggling with sprints this past weekend, Andover must focus on the last 250 meters for its upcoming race against Boston Latin again this Saturday.

Following last Saturday's performance, in which G1 and G2 defeated Boston Latin by 24 seconds and 55 seconds, respectively, Andover looks to bring home a victory. 4/25/14

Redemption on the Merrimack

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover's G1 exploded out of the starting line and gained speed as it slowly pulled away from an overmatched Boston Latin crew. Crossing the finish line a whole 24 seconds before its opponents, G1 dominated the race. The resounding victory was no surprise, as G1 had also beat Boston Latin by 24 seconds in the preceding race.

G2 and G3 raced against Boston Latin's second boat in the second heat. G3 came out on top, inching past G2 by a mere 1.4 seconds. Boston Latin was left in the water as it finished over 20 seconds after Andover's boats.

During the rematch with Boston Latin on Saturday, Elizabeth Kemp '15 cited Andover's experience as a key factor. Kemp said, "We were together as a boat for another week, which really helped us find our rhythm and swing together."

"We tried to take 'non sibi' to heart this week, and I think that our motto especially applies to crew. We're all working for each other and for the team — giving it everything we have," she added.

Now that the team has improved its sprint, it has been focusing on the body of the race. Consistently throughout the race will be crucial in the team's upcoming matchup against St. Paul's this Saturday.

On the improvement, Kemp noted that there is still work to be done. "This week, we are working on going high with our strokes per minute while still feeling the boat run underneath us with full pressure," she said.

Amanda Krakauer '15 added, "Our team is getting a lot better. We just had our five-minute erg test, and our scores are getting significantly higher. Basically our main goal for our next race is simple: to be faster."

The team knows that it will face teams much more competitive than Boston Latin in the final half of the season.

5/2/14

Girls Edge Out St. Paul's for Second

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a bridge approaching, St. Paul's led Andover Girls Crew's G2 by just a few decisive seats. As the boats glided under the bridge, Andover found a second wind and emerged with the lead on the other side.

The last 250-meter sprint was spent with the two crews fighting over those few seats that would put it in the lead, but Andover won the battle and crossed the finish line just 0.6 seconds ahead of St. Paul's for second place.

"I don't think I've ever rowed as hard as I did in the last ten seconds of that race. Everyone was screaming and yelling for each other, and we all pushed ourselves and truly learned to trust each other," said Claire Tellekson-Flash '16.

Andover swept St. Paul's with victories from both boats, but did not fare as well against rowing giants Community Rowing Incorporation (CRI).

"We lost to CRI by nine seconds which is quite a few boat lengths, but to be only a few seconds behind CRI, a nationally-ranked club team, is a pretty big deal. I think we've gotten a lot stronger over the last few weeks and we are really looking forward to taking on [Phillips Exeter Academy] this weekend," said Vienna Kuhn '16.

G1 had a bit of a rough start against St. Paul's. The boat began with an abnormally high stroke rate and had to settle twice to get down to its typical race rhythm. In the middle 500, Andover made a move to open up the space between its crew and that of St. Paul's.

The team is now preparing for its upcoming race against Exeter, Northfield Mount Hermon and Tabor, and it hopes to have improved its overall power and strength throughout the body of the race.

"We made a commitment as a team this season to be our best and work together to achieve the ultimate goal of the team trophy at NEIRAs. I have complete faith in this team and trust that we will all continue to work hard," said Co-Captain Colby Fagan '14.

5/9/14

L.XUAN *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andover Girls Crew rows into the docks.

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Sam Hawley '16 gets in the boat.

By Savannah Mastrangelo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Girls Crew swept both Hingham and Shrewsbury in its final home race of the season last Saturday.

Andover G1 finished five seconds ahead of Hingham and 28 seconds ahead of Shrewsbury. The boat, from stroke to bow, featured Bridget Lapage '14, Vienna Kuhn '16, Elizabeth Kemp '15, Lane Unsworth '15, Julia Marcus '15, Cara Cavanaugh '15, Willa Tellekson-Flash '14 and Rachel Murree '14 and finished in 5:20, one second better than its best time this season.

Andover's G2 shared G1's success, finishing seven seconds before Hingham and 18 seconds before Shrewsbury.

"It was a really good race for team morale building up into NEIRAs and getting into the right mentality. All week we've been saying that now is the time to really show what we can do," said Kemp.

"It was our last home race for Seniors, so it was a really nice way to end the season," said G2 rower Alec Kingston '14. Kingston rowed alongside Efua Peterson '14, Co-Captain Colby Fagan '14, Charlotte Chazen '15, Qiqi Ren '15, Mary Catherine Nanda '14, Amanda Krakauer '15 and Liz Irvin '17.

Andover will spend the week preparing for Interschols (NEIRAs), the most important race of the year.

Andover's G1 was seeded ninth among 18 boats last year at NEIRAs and finished in sixth place. With G2 included, Andover placed ninth overall at Interschols.

This year, G1 and G2 are both seeded third out of 18 boats in their respective races.

Phillips Exeter Academy and Kent are the boats seeded ahead of Andover. G3, which will also compete at NEIRAs, is seeded second out of 18 boats.

"Our goal is to do as best as we can across the board with each individual boat, but our ultimate goal is to win the team trophy and to show the depth of our program," said Kingston. 5/23/14

Sport: Cycling

Year: 2014

Captain: Sean Burkitt & Zoe Chazen

Coach: S. Thayer Zaeder

SEASON RECORD

WON LOST TIED

LETTER WINNERS

Blaine, Logan
Burkitt, Sean
Chazen, Zoe
Swenson, Nicolas
Whittall, Ian

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Cycling
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Adelman, Leah	2017	Hilton Head Island, SC
Blaine, Logan	2014	Old Greenwich, CT
Burkitt, Sean*	2014	Wilson, WY
Chazen, Zoe*	2014	New York, NY
Davis, Margaret	2017	Andover, MA
Hyde, Paxton	2015	Burlington, VT
Lee, Daniel	2014	Plano, TX
Liu, Felix	2015	Hong Kong
MacDonald, Scott	2015	Andover, MA
Margolese, Liana	2015	Andover, MA
Reichenbach, Amanda	2014	Wilmette, IL
Reid, William	2015	New Canaan, CT
Shamritsky, David	2017	Andover, MA
Simpson, Helen	2016	Concord, MA
Swenson, Nicolas	2015	New York, NY
Whittall, Ian	2014	Guilford, CT
Wilson, Gardner	2016	Wenham, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Thayer Zaeder
Assistant Coaches: Anna Milkowski, Jordan Dube

Cycling Spring 2014

Date	OPPONENT	SITE
4/16/2014	Hosted by Proctor	A
4/23/2014	Hosted by Killington	A
4/26/2014	Hosted by Exeter	A
4/30/2014	Hosted by Holderness	A
5/7/2014	Hosted by Profile	A
5/10/2014	Hosted by Gould	A
5/14/2014	Hosted BY PROFILE	A
5/21/2014	Hosted by Proctor	A
5/24/2014	Hosted by Exeter	A

Top Three Aspirations For Boys

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

For Andover Cycling this year, the Boys team will be led by returning Senior and Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14, who has a year under his belt and knows what it takes to be a successful rider. Burkitt hopes for the Boys team to finish in the top three in the league.

"[Burkitt] is a great Captain, he knows a lot of us from last season, and I think that is a great thing for him as a returning Captain because he knows all of our team's strengths and weakness," said Nicolas Swenson '15.

Gardner Wilson '16 said, "Both of our Captains have a great work ethic and inspire us to work hard. As far as training, everyone so far this season has been working his or her butt off on the course. Hopefully, the hard work we are all putting in now will transfer into results once the season gets going."

Both Wilson and Swenson look to step up and have a breakout season, both having had a strong season last spring.

The Girls will be led by tri-Varsity standout Co-Captain Zoe Chazen '14, who also has plenty experience as a one of the only two girl returners, accompanied by Amanda Reichenbach '14.

"The team has been working since before spring break. Yesterday was our first ride, and right now we are looking good riding together as a team," said Swenson.

The team has two races to prepare for for its first meet against Exeter on April 26.

"The team is looking forward to the Exeter Team Time Trial, which is a test of both a rider's strength and their ability to control the bike," said Burkitt.

Swenson added, "The course is a difficult one, but all of us enjoy it. Every team loves to compete with Exeter, and for us it is the same."

Despite neither teams having any top place finishes last season, the team looks to bounce back this year.

"This year we have a lot of talented riders, and with our group we should be able to put a dent in the competition. We only lost one Class A rider, and that is a huge advantage for us" said Wilson.

Andover's three returning Class A riders are Logan Blaine '14, Ian Whittall '14 and Burkitt.

The Andover Cycling team hopes to start the year off strong with a win at Proctor Academy on April 16 and continue until the end of the season when it faces Exeter on May 24. 3/27/14

M.MURPHY/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ian Whittall '14

CYCLING

On the Cycling course, look for Ian Whittall '14 to turn some heads this Spring Term. To teammate Nick Swenson '15, Whittall is reminiscent of Lance Armstrong. Hyperbole aside, Whittall has the fastest cadence on the team and never stops pedaling, according to Swenson. He consistently rides in a low gear, which allows him to minimize the resistance on the pedals. To go along with his low gear and fast cadence, Whittall sports incredible stamina and uses that to his advantage. While his maximum speed won't blow away the competition, he manages to sustain his pace better than anyone else on the cycling team. 3/27/14

CYCLING

High Hopes For Cycling After Opener

By Payton Janscy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

En route to a first place finish amongst girls from seven other schools, Andover Cycling Co-Captain Zoe Chazen '14 finished faster than Gould Academy archrival Melissa Seib '15 for the first time last Wednesday.

"It was very exciting to place first in the time trial. [Beating Seib] was very exciting for me. It was a great first time trial," said Chazen, who was the only girl racer for Andover and finished with a time of 24:09.

In Andover Cycling's first race, a result of a previous cancellation due to icy roads, the team faced off against Kimball Union Academy (KUA), Proctor, Holderness, Gould, Exeter and Profile in a 4.54 mile race with an average slope of 5.7 percent hosted at the Killington Mountain School.

Ian Whittall '14 and Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 both placed in the top ten. Whittall, who took second place in the NEPSTA Division I Cross Country Championships last fall, finished with a time of 20:31, seventh place in the Boys A group.

Burkitt followed closely behind in eighth place at 21:05.

"[Killington] took the top four spots, but they are not in our league, so it doesn't matter as much as the Proctor and Profile racers who finished ahead of us. Ian and I both know that those two racers are better at climbing, so once we get to the actual races we know we can beat them in the sprints on the flat," said Burkitt. "I am really proud of how the whole team raced."

Logan Blaine '14 and Nicolas Swenson '15 claimed the 17th and 19th spots, respectively.

"The course was really steep and I struggled to keep my cadence as high as I would have liked. It was my first ever Class A race so I was pretty nervous coming into it. I feel like I can definitely improve, and I hope to help Ian and Sean win races this year," said Swenson.

In the Boys B group, Paxton Hyde '15 finished in fourth with a time of 22:11. He was the only Andover racer to finish in the top ten in the B group.

Andover's next race is this Saturday at Exeter. 4/25/14

CYCLING

Chazen and Whittall Clinch Top 5

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Coming down to the deciding sprint, Co-Captain Zoe Chazen '14 was head to head with her Gould Academy archrival. In the Girls Group A Cycling race last Wednesday, Chazen fell to a last minute push from her opponent but still clinched second place in the highly competitive race.

"To be honest, the race was pretty boring until the final climb. A few girls and I tried to launch multiple attacks to separate from the pack, but each attempt failed, so it came down to the final climb. Unfortunately I wasn't able to outsprint Melissa [Seib, Gould Academy '15] at the top of the climb, but I am hoping to work more on my sprints as the season progresses," said Chazen.

Chazen beat Seib in last week's time trial and expects that she will be her toughest competition as the season continues.

Ian Whittall '14 lead the Boys team, sprinting his way up the final hill to a fifth-place finish. He finished only five seconds behind the second place finisher with a time of 59:37 on the 20-mile track.

"If Ian had attacked earlier he could have finished with an even better time. We were very passive today, we did not do a lot of attacking," said Nick Swenson '15.

Andover Boys captured four of the top 15 spots as well in the Boys A Group in its race hosted by Holderness this Wednesday.

Logan Blaine '14, Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 and Swenson finished 10th, 13th and 14th, respectively.

"All four of us were in the pack for most of the race, and that is always a good sign," added Swenson.

Andover will race at White Mountain School on May 7. 5/2/14

CYCLING

Whittall and Burkitt Place Fourth

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After tearing up the first half of the uphill loop, Ian Whittall '14 and Sean Burkitt '14 cruised down the final rolling hill, sprinting their way to a fourth place finish in 32:59.

The Easton Team Trial was Andover's first partner race of the season. Each pair's time wass based off the slower rider's finish.

Whittall '14 and Burkitt '14 took fourth place behind two Killington Mountain School pairs and an Exeter pair.

"The race went well simply because Ian and I work very well together and in a time trial setting we can play on both of our strengths. Ian is a great climber and overall rider and I like to sprint and do time trials more, so this moderately hilly course worked well for us." Said Burkitt '14.

Also competing in the Boys Group, Logan Blaine '14 and Nick Swenson '15 took home eighth place with a time of 34:08.

In Girls A Group Zoe Chazen '14 and Liana Margolese '15 finished fifth with a time of 41:37.

"It was Liana's first time riding in group A, she did a great job today and I am very proud of the way she raced. . . I think if we were to have another partner race this season Liana and I could finish even better than we did today," said Chazen.

Andover has its next race on on Saturday, at Gould Academy.

5/9/14

COURTESY OF ANDOVER CYCLING

Paxton Hyde '15 won the Boys B group with a grueling sprint.

Andover Clinches Third

By Payton Jancsy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover closed out its competition season in impressive fashion at the Championship race at Proctor last Wednesday, clinching third-place season finishes in the Boys A and Girls A groups.

Points earned from finishes were doubled and added to the culimative total for each team, giving each team a chance to turn its season around in the Championship race.

Ian Whittall '14 led the Andover Boys A group in last Wednesday's circuit race, finishing first out of all the Andover riders and seventh overall with a time of 31:59.

"I thought the race could have gone better for a lot of races. My race started off poorly before I did not clip my shoes into the pedals quickly. I climbed my way back from the back of the racers to near the front and had a tough sprint at the end," said Whittall.

Logan Blaine '14, Nick Swenson '15 and Co-Captain Sean Burkitt '14 finished eighth, 14th and 15th in Boys A, respectively.

Paxton Hyde '15 took first place in the Boys B season tally.

Co-Captain and consistent top-two finisher Zoe Chazen '14 was sidelined this week with a head injury, leaving no Andover riders in the Girls A group. The absence hurt her cumilated point total, but Chazen still maintained a third place individual season finish.

Andover has its traditional final race Saturday at Phillips Exeter Academy. With the all the points already added up, Andover is fighting purely for bragging rights. Exeter finished first overall in New Englands so a win for Andover will be no easy task.

5/23/14

Sport: Golf

Year: 2014

Captain: Kavan Canekeratne

Coach: Brian Faulk

Chris Odden

Caroline Odden

SEASON RECORD

WON 10 LOST 1 TIED 2

LETTER WINNERS

Blum, Eleanor
Canekeratne, Kavan
Casagrande, William
Davenport, Kirk
Devaney, Robert
Figus, Orlando
Hahn, Jinwoo
Heneghan, Sierra
Keller, Abigail
Stidham, Luke
Tadikonda, Pranav
Todd, David
Tsay, Alexa
Tsay, Tyler

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Golf
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Ahn, Soyoung	2016	Seoul, KOR
Blum, Eleanor	2015	Palo Alto, CA
Canekeratne, Kavan*	2014	Southborough, MA
Casagrande, William	2015	Methuen, MA
Davenport, Kirk	2015	New York, NY
Devaney, Robert	2014	Reading, MA
Figus, Orlando	2016	Rome, ITA
Hahn, Jinwoo	2016	Georgetown, MA
Johnson, Howard	2017	New York, NY
Kerry, Cameron	2016	Andover, MA
Simard, Ryan	2016	Reading, MA
Stidham, Luke	2014	Nicholasville, KY
Tadikonda, Pranav	2016	Burlington, MA
Todd, David	2016	Boxford, MA
Tsay, Alexa	2017	Los Angeles, CA
Tsay, Tyler	2015	Los Angeles, CA

**Captain*

Head Coaches: Brian Faulk, Chris Odden
Assistant Coach: Caroline Odden

Managers: Sierra Heneghan '14, Abigail Keller '14

Golf Spring 2014
Schedule and Record

10-1-2

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	SCORE		
4/10/2014	Belmont Hill	H	W	6.5	5.5
4/16/2014	Holderness	H			CANCELED
4/19/2014	Holderness - reschedule	H	W	9.5	2.5
4/23/2014	Proctor	A	W	11	1
4/26/2014	Andover Invitational	A	T	4th of 8*	
299(Deerfield),314 (Tabor & Taft),321(PA, PEA & Loomis),324(Hotchkiss),354(Salisbury)					
4/30/2014	St. Mark's-CANCELLED	H			
5/2/2014	Dexter Southfield School	H	W	10.5	1.5
5/3/2014	Deerfield	A	L	0	9
5/9/2014	Dana Hall	H			CANCELED
5/9/2014	B. B. & N	H	T	4	4
5/14/2014	GA/EXETER	A	W	200	203(PEA)211(GA)
5/17/2014	Exeter/GA **(TOTAL)**	A	W	989	1016(PEA)1089(GA)
5/17/2014	Exeter	A	W	4	3(PEA)

Tabor 4/15/2014
Away Game – Kittansett Club 7-5
Andover Holds off Tabor for Win in First Match

The Big Blue started off the season strong, earning a 7-5 victory over a very game Tabor squad. Tyler Tsay '15 and Kavan Canekeratne '13 earned two of three points in the top pairing, the last coming with a timely eagle by Canekeratne on the 18th. Newcomers Alexa Tsay '17, Peter Hahn '16 and Orlando Figus '16 contributed hard earned victories as well. Andover hosts PEA and GA in the first leg of the Witherspoon Cup on Wednesday.

Exeter/GA 4/9/2014
Home Game Hillview CC PA 391; PEA 405; GA 435
Andover has 14 Stroke Lead After First Day

Exeter 4/9/2014
Home Game Hillview CC 7-0
Andover Dominates Exeter and Governor's
Andover jumped to a big lead in the Lovell Cup, defeating rival Exeter by a 7-0 margin. More importantly, the squad finished first in the first leg of the Witherspoon Cup, firing a 390 to PEA and GA's 401 and 435, respectively. Tyler Tsay '15 lead the Big Blue with a 76, following by captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 and Alexa Tsay '17 with 77s. The team host Belmont Hill on Thursday.

Belmont Hill 4/10/2014
Home Game Hillview CC 6.5 -5.5
Andover Hands Belmont Hill First Loss in Two Years
Andover squeezed out a 6.5-5.5 win over perennially tough Belmont Hill, handing their rivals their first loss in two years. Wins by Kavan Canekeratne '14, Ellie Blum'15, David Todd '16 and Orlando Figus '16 provided the difference. We host Holderness next Wednesday at Indian Ridge.

Holderness 4/19/2014
Home Game Hillview CC 9.5-2.5
Andover Continues its Strong Play Andover continued their strong play, defeating Holderness 9.5-2.5 on a match rescheduled from Wednesday. The Big Blue travel to Proctor on Wednesday in preparation for the Andover Invitational at Newport CC on Saturday.

Proctor 4/23/2014
Away Game Lake Sunapee CC 11-1
Andover Solid in Final Tune-up Before Newport
Andover continued its undefeated season, cruising to a resounding 11-1 victory over a Proctor squad that was just beginning their season due to weather. Captain Kavan Cankeratne'13 and newcomer Alexa Tsay '17 posted dominant wins as Andover did not lose a single match. We travel to prestigious Newport Country Club on Saturday for the eight-team Andover Invitational.

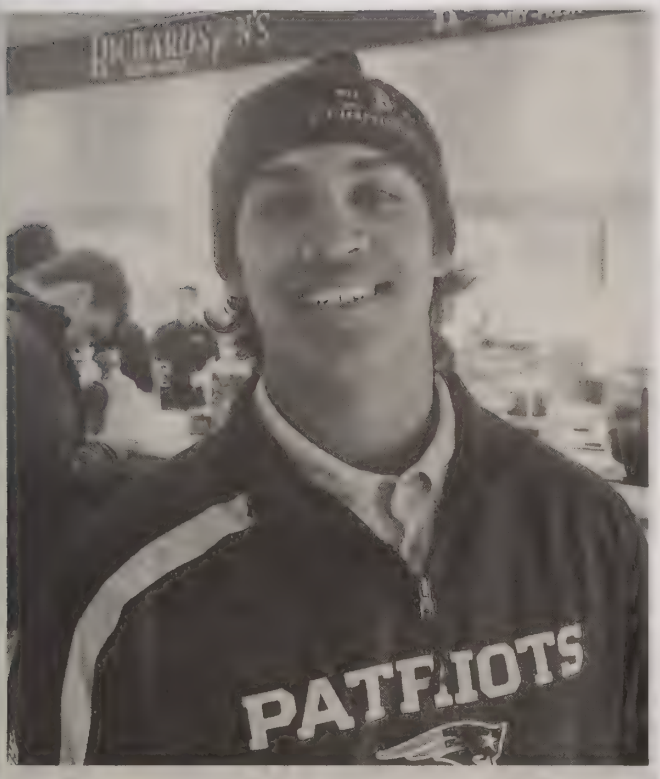
Dexter Southfield School 5/2/2014
Home Game Indian Ridge CC 10.5 -1.5
Andover Rolls over Dexter
Andover had a solid victory in their last match before visiting rival Deerfield on Saturday. Tyler '15 and Alexa Tsay '17 earned 5&4 victories in the one and two spot; Billy Casagrande '16, Luke Stidham '15 and Addy Davenport '16 also earned points in their first matches of the season.

B. B. & N 5/9/2014
Home Game Bradford CC 4-4
Andover Earns Tie
Andover faced a very game BBN squad on Friday, earning a hard-fought tie when Ellie Blum '15 won her last hole to secure the split. Kavan Canekeratne '14 and Tyler Tsay '15 earned two key points in the one and two spot, respectively while Orlando Figus '16 and David Todd '16 also earned critical points for the squad. The team is off this weekend but resumes the Witherspoon competition next Wednesday at Governor's

Girls' Golf Tournament 5/12/2014
Away Game Watertown Golf Course
Alexa Tsay '17 loses in playoff in Girl's Prep School Championship
Alexa Tsay '17 fired a 74, finishing with three straight birdies to get into a playoff for first place in the annual Girl's Prep School Championship. Both girls birdied the first playoff hole; unfortunately Alexa bogeyed the second to finish second. Ellie Blum '15 tied for eighth with a 79 while Alice Ahn '16 shot a 52 in the nine-hole division.

GA/Exeter 5/14/2014
Away Game Ould Newbury PA 200; PEA 203; GA 211
Andover Extends Lead in Witherspoon Race
Alexa Tsay '17 and Ellie Blum '15 led the squad with scores of 37 and 39, respectively, and the Big Blue was able to extend their lead in the Witherspoon race to 17 shots entering the last leg on Saturday at Exeter. Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 added a 40 while David Todd '16 fired a 41. The competition continues at Breakfast Hill on Saturday. Total scores after two days: PA 591-PEA 608-GA 646.

Exeter/GA 5/17/2014
Away Game Breakfast Hill PA 989; PEA 1016; GA 1089
Andover Defends Witherspoon and Lovell Cups
Alexa Tsay '17 and Ellie Blum '15 led the squad with scores of 37 and 39, respectively, and the Big Blue was able to extend their lead in the Witherspoon race to 17 shots entering the last leg on Saturday at Exeter. Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 added a 40 while David Todd '16 fired a 41. The competition continues at Breakfast Hill on Saturday. Total scores after two days: PA 591-PEA 608-GA 646.
Andover capped one of their best seasons in years with a solid victory over rivals Exeter and Governor's on one of the only sunny days of the spring at Breakfast Hill this Saturday. Tyler and Alexa Tsay led the squad with rounds of 74 and 76, respectively; Alexa Tsay also became the first female (and junior) to win the Mangan Award for the medalist of the three day competition with rounds of 77-37-76. Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 ends his career with a 4-0 record against Exeter.
3rd Round: PA 398-PEA 408-GA 443
Total: PA 989-1016-1089



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Kavan Canekeratne '14

GOLF

Over at the Golf course, Kavan Canekeratne '14 will try to reclaim his spot at the top of the ladder. Canekeratne consistently hits his drives over 200 yards, allowing him to get a leg up on the competition. Hitting the ball farther allows him to hit the more lofted clubs into the greens. Canekeratne also excels around the greens, allowing him to consistently finish holes well. But, it's his driving length, accuracy and consistency that unlock the other parts of his game.

3/28/14

GOLF

Golf Has a Blind Shot Heading Into Season

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After going 8-2 last season, Andover Golf will try to best its record from last season. Led by Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14, the team will look to rebound from losing three Seniors.

"We lost some great varsity players in Evan Kudlinski '13 and former Co-Captains John Perkins '13 and Shin-Jae Lee '13," wrote Luke Stidham '14 in an email to *The Phillipian*. "But while we have big shoes to fill, I'm confident this year's team, led by Tyler Tsay '15 and Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14, is up to the challenge."

Canekeratne said, "One of the things you need is consistency, and we were really consistent last year because we had five players that could all compete at the same level. This year, that might be a weakness since we don't really know where everybody is at and we have a whole bunch of new pieces and lack a lot of returners. I definitely think that Ellie Blum '15 could step up. I know that she can play really well."

The team will look to defend its Lovell and Witherspoon Cup titles, which it earned last season with wins over Governor's and Exeter by a combined 34 strokes.

"The team this year has lost a majority of our more senior players, three of which were on the Varsity squad," Canekeratne added. "However, I do not think that this has weakened our playing ability in a significant way, as the underclassmen and newer players have begun to show much promise in these first few days of tryouts and practice."

Tsay won two awards last season, winning the Mangan Award and the Mooves Award. After the competitions against Governor's and Exeter, Tsay was awarded these trophies for excellent play throughout the tournament.

Andover lost to rival Deerfield last season by a score of 9-3.

"Personally, I think that I'd like to give Deerfield a bit of a run for their money this year," says Tsay. "It was an extremely close match last year, and we're not letting it slip away this year."

Another highlight for the team is the tournament at Newport Country Club.

"The most challenging course that we play is Newport. It is our biggest tournament. There is us and seven other schools that get together at Newport Country Club in Rhode Island," said Canekeratne. "The golf course is the same that Tiger Woods won the U.S. Amateur at, so it's a really nice golf course. It is right on the water, so it's really windy, which adds to the difficulty."

Andover starts its season on April 5 when it travels to Tabor.

3/28/14

The Better Phillips: Andover Routs Exeter 7-0

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Tabor	5

Andover	7
Exeter	0

Andover	6.5
Belmont Hill	5.5

Andover Golf Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 took a knee on the green, calculating the trajectory of his putt. Knowing that his match was on the line, Canekeratne sunk his 30-foot putt for eagle against Tabor on Saturday.

"When it went in, I was really more pissed than anything. I hadn't made one all day, and of course that one went right in the center of the hole. It was funny since I eagled that hole last year to end the match too, but that time I chipped in," said Canekeratne.

Andover Golf took home a 7-5 win over Tabor in the team's first match of the season. Tyler Tsay '15, Alexa Tsay '17, David Todd '16, Orlando Figus '16 and Peter Hahn '16 all won points in the victory.

COURTESY OF BRIAN FAUL

Alexa Tsay '17 lines up a drive as Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 watches his fly.

"The difference between winning, tying and losing came down to a few putts at the end. This really was a huge team win," said Hahn. "For example, if [Canekeratne] didn't make that eagle on 18, the matches would have tied. Every point that we secured was very crucial."

In a match versus Phillips Exeter Academy and Governor's on Wednesday, Andover successfully defended the Lovell and Witherspoon Cups. Andover swept Exeter 7-0 with a very convincing win against the bitter rival.

Tyler Tsay shot a 76, while Canekeratne shot a 77. Alexa Tsay finished the round with a 77, and Eleanor Blum '15 ended with a 78. Exeter and Governor's failed to keep up with Andover's top four.

Coming to Andover, Alexa Tsay was touted as an impact player to look out for. After winning both of her matches and playing in the top four on the ladder, she backed up all of the rumors. "It took me a week to adjust. I lost yardage, but I am getting used to it now," she said. "The golf courses are a little bit browner and the conditions are wetter, but that's all right."

Andover faced Belmont Hill on Thursday and came out with a 6.5-5.5 victory.

The team will take on Holderness next Wednesday.

4/11/14

GOLF

Andover Ends Hill's Win-Streak

By Cameron Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

It had to be the ninth hole, which had been treacherous for Andover all day. With the whole team behind him, Orlando Figus '16 set up his putt, sank it, gave Andover the 6-5-5.5 win and ended Belmont Hill's two-year winning streak.

After a reversed 6.5-5.5 loss last season, Andover rebounded to knock off its rivals. Ellie Blum '15, David Todd '16 and Figus all took home individual wins, while Co-Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 tied his match.

Andover overpowered Belmont Hill in the team matches. Tyler Tsay '15 and Canekeratne, comprising Team One, and Blum and Alexa Tsay '17, Team Two, won their matches. Rob Devaney '14 and Todd, Team Three, and Peter Hahn '16 and Figus, Team Four, tied their matches.

Andover's match against Holderness on Wednesday was cancelled because of the unexpected snow storm. The match has been rescheduled for Saturday. 4/18/14

GOLF

Tsay Putts to Win

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9.5
Holderness	2.5
Andover	11
Proctor	1

Locked in a tie, Andover Golf's number-one seed, Tyler Tsay '15, faced off against his Proctor opponent on the ninth hole. The match was down to the wire when Tsay's opponent missed a three-foot putt to cost him the win.

Tsay's nailbiter win was not reflective of the overall team performance, however, as Andover dominated Proctor 11-1 this Wednesday without losing a single match. The win came four days after Andover trumped visiting Holderness to the tune of a 9.5-2.5 win, pushing Andover's win streak to five.

"[It was] just a great team win. The squad is in the best shape in the time that Coach Odden and I have been coaching," said Coach Brian Faulk.

Andover traveled to Andover, NH, to play Proctor. Pranav Tadikonda '16, as the eighth seed, won his first match as a member of the varsity team after seven holes.

"The course was very windy, which was difficult," said Tsay of the Proctor course. "It took a few holes to adjust to the greens, but it was a very nice course that was easy to play."

Andover Golf hopes to continue its momentum into the Andover Invitational at Newport Country Club this weekend. Last season, Andover won the tournament and has its heart set on a repeat.

They will, however, have to put in all of their effort. "We are used to match play, not medal play, so that is always a challenge," said Faulk. "The conditions there are always very windy, and we get a lot of double bogeys. It's going to be a challenge for us."

4/25/14

GOLF

Hot Streak Cools Down at Newport

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

At the Newport Invitational last weekend, Andover Golf tied for fourth out of nine teams with archrivals Exeter and Loomis.

Seven points separated Andover and the two second place winners, Tabor and Taft. Andover overtook Tabor (7-5) in its first match of the season, but was unable to replicate the success at Newport.

After taking 5th, 5th and 4th in 2010, 2011 and 2012 respectively, Andover took second last year. Deerfield took the honors in 2013 and once again this year.

Hotchkiss and Salisbury were also in attendance, finishing in the last two places of the tournament.

Tyler Tsay '15 paced the team, shooting a 76, three points off of the winning score. During last year's invitational, Tsay boasted an impressive score of 74.

Ellie Blum '15 and Alexa Tsay '17 rounded out the top three, coming in with a 85 and 80, respectively.

"It was a really nice course. It was in superb condition, especially for the weather at the time, which was cold and windy," said David Todd '16, who shot an 89 while playing in the Number Five spot. "Overall, it is a great opportunity to play against some schools that we don't always get to play against."

Rob Devaney '14 continued his solid play, hitting an 80.

Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14 previously described the renowned Rhode Island course as the hardest the team will face this season. The site was the host of the first ever U.S. Open and U.S. Amateur Open in 1895, but, for all its prestige, it is not the most favorable to play on.

Located on the water, the course is subject to interfering wind and the conditions of the day added some difficulty.

"It was a difficult day, a little misty, but the scoring conditions were good. Tyler [Tsay] and Alexa [Tsay] played well, but Deerfield was a little too tough," said Coach Brian Faulk. "We are going to have our hands full this weekend. The Deerfield match is obviously a big match. I'm looking for our best effort of the season. We can do it; they are beatable."

The team has matches versus Dexter Southfield and Deerfield. Deerfield defeated Andover 9-3 last season, one of the team's two losses. Andover's match on Wednesday versus St. Mark's was canceled due to predicted rain.

5/2/14

GOLF

Andover Falls to Green

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10.5
Dexter	1.5
Andover	0
Deerfield	9

For the eighth year in a row, Andover Golf fell to Deerfield and with it, relented its undefeated season.

Last Friday, a day before the Deerfield matchup, Andover steamrolled Dexter, recording a decisive seven individual wins and taking the team events 3.5-0.5. The final score was 10.5-1.5 in favor of Andover.

"We all played well, everyone on the team. It was great to be able to sweep the team events. It really showed our depth across the board," said Alexa Tsay '17.

Addison Davenport '15 won his first Varsity match after tying his inaugural match versus Holderness last month.

"I played well and feel well prepared going into Deerfield," said Tsay, but Andover could not continue its winning ways in its clash with this year's Newport tournament champions.

Deerfield swept Andover 9-0. Last season, Andover only dropped the meet 9-3.

The lone victor of the seven Andover golfers, Peter Hahn '16 could not contribute to Andover's score since he was playing in the tiebreaker spot. His score would only have counted if the match was tied.

"Judging from their Newport scores and last season, we knew that they were going to be a tough opponent. Crumpin Fox was a very tricky course and them knowing the layout obviously gave them an advantage," said Hahn.

"The score didn't necessarily reflect how close the matches were. It was far from our worst performance of the season, it just happened to be against a very tough opponent," he added.

Many of the players posted personal season bests, but Deerfield edged out Andover in every match except Hahn's.

"I played really well this weekend, it was one of my best rounds that I've played. My opponent was a machine, he didn't miss anything or make any mistakes," said Rob Devaney '14. "It was obviously difficult to beat him, being down most of the match."

Looking ahead to this weekend, Andover Golf hopes to get back on a roll against a traditionally strong BB&N team on Friday. 5/9/14

Andover Defeats Rival to Capture Lovell and Witherspoon Cup

By Cam Kerry
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	3

Andover Golf successfully defended the Lovell and Witherspoon Cups with a convincing win over Phillips Exeter Academy and Governor's at Breakfast Hill Golf Course. Andover defeated Exeter 4-3 and won the overall three-round competition 11-3.

"Not playing in an type of league tournament, our Exeter and Governor's match is really important to us, so it was great to get such a decisive victory, especially over Exeter," said Captain Kavan Canekeratne '14.

Tyler Tsay '15 led the team with a 74, Alexa Tsay '17 finished with a 76 and Canekeratne shot an 81.

Tyler Tsay came roaring out of the gate, maintaining a one-under margin through the first 12 holes. By that time, he had built a commanding lead on his opponent and essentially finished him.

With his win, Orlando Figus '16 improved to 6-1 on the season. Tyler Tsay also notched his sixth win, accumulating a 6-2 record.

Over the course of three matches, Andover won with a combined total of 989. Exeter finished 1,016 and Governor's with 1,089. The teams ended the final round 398, 408 and 443 respectively.

Alexa Tsay became the first female and Junior to be awarded the Mangan Award. Her three rounds of 77, 37 and 76 over the course of the season won her the trophy, which is given to the medalist of the competition.

Alexa Tsay stole the trophy from her older brother, Tyler Tsay, who won last season.

"I am very proud of the fact that my name will be engraved after all those who have won before me, but ultimately triumphing with my team fulfilled me most," said Alexa Tsay. "Playing this season has helped me improve with course management and adaptability as a golfer, as I competed in rough weather conditions and had to learn to play without warming up."

With the win, Andover closed out its season at 10-1, one of the best records in recent memory.

"Despite not having a lot of returners this year, the team was really close. Our chemistry definitely helped us crush Exeter," said Canekeratne.

5/23/14

COURTESY OF ANDOVER GOLF

Tyler Tsay '15 led the team.

Sport: Boys Lacrosse

Year: 2014

Captain: Austin Gaiss

Coach: Stephen Moreland

Tucker Samson

SEASON RECORD

WON 9 LOST 7 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Abric, Durham
Belluche, David
Belluche, John
Bensen, Gordon
Bergstein, William
Bulens, Timothy
Chin, Taylor
Chung, Jisoo
Cifrino, John
DeLaus, Robert
Findlay, Whitney
Gaiss, Austin
Gildehaus, Arthur
Kozloff, Marjorie
LeBoeuf, Foster
Lu, John
Maag, Ian
MacWilliams, John
Mullen, Thomas
Oliver, Thomas
Perkins, Clark
Robichaud, Austin
Shumway, John
Thomasco, William
Tomsik, Jacob
Tucker, John
Young, William

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Varsity Lacrosse
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
0	Lu, John	G	2016	Andover, MA
1	Perkins, Clark	G	2014	Fairfield, CT
2	Maag, Ian	M	2014	Marblehead, MA
3	Block, Samuel	SSDM	2014	Norwich, VT
5	Abric, Durham	D	2015	Ridgewood, NJ
6	Gildehaus, Arthur	M	2015	Concord, MA
7	Bensen, Gordon	SSDM	2014	Norwich, VT
8	Bulens, Timothy	M	2015	Norwell, MA
9	Robichaud, Austin	SSDM	2015	Reading, MA
10	Oliver, Thomas	A	2016	New York, NY
11	Chin, Taylor	LSM	2014	Ipswich, MA
12	Tucker, John	M	2014	Wenham, MA
13	McLaughlin, Kent	D	2015	Easton, MD
14	Findlay, Whitney	A	2016	Sudbury, MA
15	Thomasco, William	M	2014	Jupiter, FL
16	Tomsik, Jacob	A	2017	Medway, MA
17	Young, William	D	2014	New York, NY
18	Gaiss, Austin*	M	2014	North Andover, MA
19	Belluche, John	M	2016	Andover, MA
20	Belluche, David	SSDM	2014	Andover, MA
22	Bergstein, William	A	2016	Greenwich, CT
22	Mullen, Thomas	M	2014	Cotuit, MA
23	LeBoeuf, Foster	A	2015	Beverly, MA
24	MacWilliams, John	D	2015	Dover, MA
25	Cifrino, John	D	2014	York, ME
26	DeLaus, Robert	M	2016	Andover, MA
32	Shumway, John	M	2015	Concord, MA

**Captain*

Coach: Steve Moreland
Assistant Coach: Tucker Sampson

Managers: Jisoo Chung '14, Marjorie Kozloff '14

Filmer: Jacob Howell '14

Boys Lacrosse Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 9-7-0

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	SCORE	
3/26/2014	Roxbury Latin-CANCELLED	H		
3/29/2014	Noble & Greenough	A	L	6-8
4/2/2014	Belmont Hill	A	L	7-10
4/5/2014	New Hampton	H	W	8-6
4/7/2014	St John's Prep	H	W	14-7
4/9/2014	N.M.H.	H	W	11-7
4/11/2014	Dexter Southfield School	H	W	10-9
4/16/2014	Brewster Academy	H	L	8-13
4/18/2014	Bridgton Academy	H	W	9-6
4/23/2014	Holderness	A	W	14-0
4/26/2014	Deerfield	A	L	5-12
4/30/2014	Tabor	A	L	9-16
5/3/2014	Loomis	H	L	7-8
5/10/2014	K.U.A.	H	W	9-2
5/12/2014	BROOKS	H	W	7-6
5/17/2014	Choate	A	L	4-6
5/24/2014	Exeter	H	W	12-7

Defensive Stronghold Stays Intact

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With the entire defensive squad — as well as most midfielders and attackers — returning from last year's team, Andover Boys Lacrosse will be a very experienced team this season.

"We only lost about four or five guys last year. With the new guys that we have on the team, we will be looking to improve upon last year's record," said Foster LeBoeuf '15.

Andover boasted a 10-6 record last season, but there was no tournament or post-season. The team is excited about some key developments for this year.

"One of the things that is really coming together right now is the defense. Last year was their first year playing together, and this year they are very confident in their abilities," said Tom Mullen '14.

After a few key goal scorers graduated this past year, notably Connor Light '13 and Larken Kemp '13, there are some serious gaps to fill. But with a bolstered roster for the attacker position, such as LeBoeuf, Jacob Tomsik '17 and William Bergstein '16, Andover seems to be in good shape across the field.

"Right off the start, I expect a lot from everyone on the team. Two guys right now, [Bergstein and Tomsik], are both new, but I have very high expectations for them this year," said Returning Captain Austin Gaiss '14.

A challenge with fitting new players into key positions is getting them comfortable with their roles, and the team has been working to make its game as seamless as possible.

"[Gaiss] is very good about introducing the new guys, getting them in the system, and they're all caught up on the offense and defense," said returner Jack Lu '16. "One of the best things about having so many guys back is the team chemistry because everyone's really close."

Tomsik said, "The guys have taken me under their wings, so it wasn't really hard to adjust at all."

With a blend of Senior experience and leadership as well as fresh new talent, Gaiss only sees one thing necessary to put together a very special season.

"Mentality is key. We're trying to go out there everyday and kill it. That should carry over to the games if we give 100 percent every single practice," said Gaiss.

Lu added, "As long as we keep working hard and continuing the things we did well in the preseason, we can compete with any team out there."

The team took its yearly preseason trip to Florida in order to prepare for the season. On the trip, Andover scrimmaged Woodberry Forest, Taft, Westminster, The Hill School and Kent Denver, and had long practice hours to get the sticks and sets back in action.

"Everyone should play with a lot of heart, and we'll have some big contributions this season. The things we did well in Florida need to continue during the season," said LeBoeuf.

Lu added, "The mindset is that we need to be prepared for every game. Every single one is a different battle."

Andover's first game is scheduled against Noble & Greenough on Saturday.

3/28/14

S.DIEKEMA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Austin Gaiss '14 will focus on building the team chemistry on and off the field.

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Austin Gaiss '14

BOYS LACROSSE

3/28/14

Andover Boys Lacrosse sends a D1-studded cast out onto the field this year, headlined by Notre Dame commit Captain Austin Gaiss '14. A four-year Varsity player, Gaiss leads by example. Teammate Jack Lu '16 said that the team loves playing behind him due to his natural ability and positive attitude. With a shot registering around 97 mph on the speed gun and elite foot speed to go with it, Gaiss is always a threat to score around the net. Lu also noted that Gaiss's stick skills and vision enable him to lead and run the offense effectively.

BOYS LACROSSE

Four Consecutive Goals Just Short of Victory

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Belmont Hill	10
Andover	6
Nobles	8

The one-man show of Tim Bulens '15 drove home four goals in the final five minutes of the game against Belmont Hill on Wednesday. Despite this sizeable dent in Belmont Hill's seven-goal lead, Andover Boys Lacrosse ultimately lost 10-7.

Despite aggressive playing last Saturday as well, including a 4-2 lead at halftime, the team also fell to Nobles 8-6.

"The team is playing like we should be able to win. These games just came down to execution. We need to execute better," said Head Coach Steve Moreland.

"We came out firing on all cylinders [on Saturday]. The defense looked strong, but [Nobles] scored a couple goals. The offense was also just clicking," said Will Young '14.

A less successful second half, however, cost Andover the game.

"We weren't prepared to play the full game. There were some miscommunications about the defense and our playsets. We should come out knowing our matchups," said Jack Lu '16.

"They possessed the ball, so we couldn't score. Our off-ball defense needs to get better, and we need to push the ball in transition a bit more," Young added.

On Wednesday, the team traveled to Belmont Hill. Ranked at 17 in New England by "LaxPower," Belmont Hill trumped number four Deerfield and number 20 Brunswick earlier this season, two schools known for the high quality of their lacrosse teams.

Belmont Hill led 4-3 at the end of the first half and, gaining its rhythm, continued to break through Andover's defense.

Foster LeBoeuf '15, who had a goal against Belmont, said, "In our past two games, we've had a tough third quarter. It showed our strength coming back the way we did."

Although the final scores were not in Andover's favor, the team has displayed a lot of potential. Andover, currently sitting at number 40, will have a lot to prove when it opens a six-game home stand against a top-15 New Hampton lineup this Saturday.

4/4/14

Boys Ride Three-Game Winning Streak

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
New Hampton	6
Andover	14
St. John's Prep	7
Andover	11
NMH	7

Attacker Will Bergstein '16 nestled a pass from Ian Maag '14, instinctively ripping a step-down shot past the St. John's Prep goalie to complete his hat-trick, as Andover Boys Lacrosse opened up its six-game homestand this week.

The team bounced back from a 0-2 start to the season by grinding out a 8-6 victory against New Hampton. Andover quickly found its form for the next two games of the week, cruising to victory against St. John's and Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH).

"We got a lot of momentum. Our offense is really clicking, which gives our defense a lot of confidence," said Will Young '14.

In the home opener against New Hampton, Andover faced the 19th-ranked team in New England according to "laxpower.com."

An unfazed Captain Austin Gaiss '14 led the team, pushing the opposing defense all four quarters of the game. Gaiss played a huge role in the game, pouring in five goals en route to an 8-6 victory.

"[Tim Bulens '15] was finding me. I was just on the receiving end of things. It was a team effort; I just happened to be putting the ball in the back of the net," said Gaiss.

Against St. John's, the offense came out firing in the first half. In the first two quarters, Bulens, Bergstein and Foster LeBoeuf '15 had two goals each. At halftime, Andover led 9-2.

"It's our confidence. We had a real team effort. Everyone did their job, and we were playing with a lot of confidence," said Bergstein.

The team didn't let its foot off the pedal as Andover earned a decisive 14-7 victory to climb back to .500 on the season. Both Bergstein and LeBoeuf ended the game with four goals.

On Wednesday, Andover beat NMH to extend its win streak to three games. The team's defense only let up three goals over the first three periods, which allowed Andover to build up an 8-3 lead.

The team never let go of its lead, eventually winning the game by a margin of 11-7.

Although it has had three strong performances in a row, Andover could improve in certain areas of the field.

"We turned the ball over a few more times than we should have, and in close situations we can't be doing that," said Bulens.

Andover will play against Dexter on Friday and Brewster on Saturday.

4/11/14

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Tim Bulens '15 consistently got the ball to Captain Austin Gaiss '14 who had five goals against New Hampton.

Two Close Games Challenge Boys' Reign

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
Dexter	9

Andover	8
Brewster	13

J.SCHMITT *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ian Maag '14 blows by a defender en route to Andover's win over Dexter.

Andover Boys Lacrosse Captain Austin Gaiss '14 burst into the crease and released a shot that flew under the opposing goalie's stick and into the net to tie the game at 5-5 in the third quarter against Dexter Southfield on Friday.

Gaiss's shot and subsequent momentum fueled three consecutive goals in the fourth quarter from Tim Bulens '15, Jacob Tomsik '17 and Foster LeBoeuf '15, propelling Andover to a close 10-9 win.

Dexter maintained possession of the ball for a large part of the fourth quarter and at times threatened Andover's lead.

"Three goals early in the fourth quarter gave a little breathing room, and we obviously needed it," said Gaiss.

"Against Dexter, we got away with some little mistakes. The effort is there, but the execution sometimes isn't," said Head Coach Stephen Moreland.

Goalie Clark Perkins '14 added, "A win's a win. We should be thankful and happy for that. But there are some tougher opponents coming up that we will have to play at a higher level for."

Brewster snapped Andover's winning streak with a 13-8 loss this Wednesday.

"It was a real test for us at every position. There were no easy match-ups on defense, especially for Will Young ['14] who was covering their best attackman. It was no cakewalk for our offense either: they were going up against some serious poles," said Taylor Chin '14.

Against such a notoriously tough opponent, Andover struggled to gain momentum.

"If you make a slight mistake, suddenly they'll put in a goal. It's just the little mistakes, and if we button down those, I think we'll be able to compete," said Gaiss.

Chin added, "Coach Moreland summed it up perfectly when he told us that we played with a lot of heart, but that our execution lacked at times, and against a team as tough as Brewster, little mistakes end up being the deciding factor."

Andover plays Bridgton Academy today to close out its home stand.

4/19/14

BLACROSSE

6-3 Record Heading Into Deerfield Clash

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

The talents of David Belluche '14 can also be seen on the ice. He captained Andover Boys Hockey into a memorable playoff run this winter.

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Andover	14
Holderness	11

William Bergstein '16 tied up Bridgton Academy's last line of defense, freeing up attacker Foster LeBoeuf '15 on a breakaway one-on-one against the goalie. Flying towards the crease, LeBoeuf unleashed a bullet of a shot, finding the back of the net for his second goal of the day and pouring on the offense against a seasoned team.

On the defensive side, goalkeeper Jack Lu '16 stepped up in his first start of the season, making timely stops and allowing just six goals to secure the win, 9-6. The win against Bridgton was part of a two-win week that saw Andover Boys Lacrosse bounce back from a loss to Brewster.

Boasting a roster entirely comprised of Post-Graduates, Bridgton's size and speed posed a challenge to Andover. At a disadvantage in one-on-one matchups on offense and defense, Andover's team heart and chemistry made the difference in a contested affair.

Well-coached and disciplined, Andover strove to draw penalties against Bridgton and took advantage of the opportunities. "We did a good job of capitalizing on the man-up situations. They were a little undisciplined, and we took advantage of that," said attacker Ian Maag '14.

"We went back to the fundamentals for the Bridgton game. We had good offensive ball movement and stopped making some of those small mistakes," said Clark Perkins '14.

In its second win of the week, Andover defeated Holderness 14-0, finding the net six times in the first quarter and tacking on eight more goals before the final whistle blew.

Andover earned its first shutout of the season, as offense and defense finally came together in a dominant performance.

Firing on all cylinders and coming off its best performance of the season, Andover carries a lot of momentum into Saturday's marquee matchup against Deerfield.

The toughest opponent Andover will face this year, the one-loss Deerfield team, is ranked third in New England by "laxpower.com" and is a perennial lacrosse power house.

After last year's 6-13 loss to Deerfield, Andover will look to come back strong and steal a win this weekend.

As the season goes on, however, injuries have hit Andover seemingly harder every week: Captain Austin Gaiss '14 has been out with an illness, Perkins is coming off a fractured collarbone, Tom Mullen '14 did not play against Holderness due to an ankle injury, Jack MacWilliams '15 and Kent McLaughlin '15 are dealing with knee injuries, and Jack Shumway '15 has also been dealing with sickness.

Sitting at 6-3 with a severely compromised team, Andover hopes to get back to full strength as soon as possible and improve on its already successful start.

4/25/14

Bulens Scores Four in a Struggle for Victory

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Deerfield	12
Andover	9
Tabor	16

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Will Bergstein '16 goes head-to-head against a Brewster defender.

Finding himself in front of the net, Tim Bulens '15 scooped up a dangerous rebound from Foster LeBoeuf '15. Bulens dodged two long poles, stepped in close and finished off the play to give Andover Boys Lacrosse the first goal of the game against Deerfield on Saturday.

Andover, however, could not continue the momentum as it lost 5-12 to a very strong Deerfield team, the third-ranked team in New England by "laxpower.com." On Wednesday, the team dropped another game as it fell 9-16 to Tabor.

After jumping out to a 2-0 lead with goals from Bulens and Ian Maag '14, the team was stalled by penalties and lack of possession in the second quarter.

"They won every face-off in the second quarter, we almost never had possession and they put in seven goals," said Will Bergstein '16.

Deerfield capitalized on man-up situations as well, and jumped out to a 7-2 lead at halftime.

The pounding continued in the second half. LeBoeuf had two goals in the third quarter, but Deerfield's offense found a way to score three more and widen the gap. Bergstein scored the last goal for Andover in the fourth quarter, but it was not enough.

"Penalties and bad transition defense killed us, we played very well when at even strength," said Clark Perkins '14, who plays goalie.

Deerfield ended up scoring ten of its 12 goals while in man-up or in transition and, after securing a lead, continued to frustrate Andover's offense.

Deerfield attackers Tim Edmonds '14 and Harrison Lane '15 spearheaded their offensive end, creating difficult matchups for the Andover defense.

"[Edmonds] was really good for them. He is a really good feeder and a dangerous shooter," said Perkins.

Edmonds is committed to play at Harvard, according to InsideLacrosse, and Lane is committed to play at Dartmouth, according to BostonLax.

"We knew they were going to be a tough opponent, and we started off hot. But then we just broke down. They went on a big run, and that one quarter kind of lost it for us," said Captain Austin Gaiss '14.

The team went into the Tabor game looking to recover from the crushing loss, but could not play to its full potential.

Bulens had an impressive game, tallying up three goals and two assists, and his play was augmented with goals from both Gaiss and LeBoeuf.

For all its offensive production, however, Andover fell behind in the game and let up 16 goals. It was a hole that the team could not climb out of.

Perkins said, "It's a process. We have to continue to learn from our mistakes and rebound for the next part of our season. We have the potential to be a great lacrosse team."

With just five games left in the regular season, Andover's record barely stands above .500 at 6-5.

5/2/14

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ian Maag '14, at 6'1, is a force to be reckoned with on both the football and lacrosse fields.

Loomis Takes the Lead, Andover Struggles to Find Win

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Loomis	8

Down by one goal in the fourth quarter against Loomis Chaffee, Foster LeBoeuf '15 threaded the needle on a pass through the defense to Tim Bulens '15, who ripped a shot into the back of the net to tie the game up 6-6. Andover ultimately fell to Loomis 8-7, the third loss in a row for the team.

Down just one goal at halftime, Andover was close the entire game, though never quite able to pull ahead. Never able to establish a presence in the Loomis zone, it was difficult for Andover to take control of the game.

"We have to value possession," said defenseman Will Young '14.

Andover was forced to make key defensive plays time and time again, as Loomis planted itself in the team's defensive zone.

Bulens, LeBoeuf and Will Bergstein '16 led Andover's offensive attack and capitalized on their scoring opportunities. Despite their best efforts, the lack of possession hurt Andover, as it could not generate enough opportunities to win the game.

"We played a lot of defense. If the ball was in our zone for as much as it was, they were bound to stick some shots," said Young.

If the team continues to find itself hard pressed for possession, like it did Wednesday, it must continue to capitalize on those chances in order to find success coming into the home stretch of the season.

Sitting at 6-6, Andover is looking to win out and match last year's 10-6 record. The road begins this Saturday at home against Kimball Union Academy, whose record is 8-4.

5/9/14

Loss to Choate Narrows Andover's Winning Record

By Peter Hahn
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Choate	6

Hovering just outside the crease, Tim Bulens '15 searched for an opening in the formidable Choate defense, which averaged less than six goals allowed per game. He received a pass and immediately ripped a step-down shot to the top right corner.

Andover Boys Lacrosse went into its second-to-last game of the season with momentum, having won its previous two games, but could not pull out the win against a resilient Choate squad, as it lost 4-6.

The team was not at full strength against Choate. It was missing key parts of the defense in both Taylor Chin '14 and Jack MacWilliams '15.

Although Andover boasted a better record going into the game, 8-6 compared to Choate's 6-6, Choate proved to be the better team in this matchup.

The game was defined by huge momentum swings. After the first period, Andover had struggled to find any rhythm offensively and found itself in a 0-3 hole, but the inexperienced defense adjusted quickly to hold Choate scoreless from then until the fourth quarter.

"It was a battle and our defensive play was fantastic all game. A lot of players really stepped up, but unfortunately it wasn't enough," said goalie Clark Perkins '14.

To complement the defensive dominance during those quarters, Andover's offense came to life. With goals from Captain Austin Gaiss '14, David Belluche '14, Will Young '14 and Bulens, the team captured a 4-3 lead with just under seven minutes left in the game.

"We spun the ball pretty well and got everyone involved," said Gaiss.

For the last seven minutes, however, Choate took control of both ends of the field. Choate pulled away with three unanswered goals in the fourth quarter.

J.SCHMITT *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Attacker Foster LeBeouf '15 catches a ball in stride.

The season finale against Phillips Exeter Academy looms over Andover, as the team will try to snap a three-year losing streak against its archrival.

"We're really starting to play like a team, and that's going to help up get the win on Saturday," said Young.

Exeter has played to a 13-5 record this season and is ranked 46 spots ahead of Andover in the regional standings, according to laxpower.com.

Despite the loss, Andover can take some positive notes from the game. Balanced offensive production and lock-down defense will be necessary to prevail against Exeter on Saturday.

"We actually played a very good game against Choate. I think that's very important for us going into Exeter. We were happy with the effort that we produced, and that's something we'll try to keep up," Perkins added.

5/23/14

Sport: Girls Lacrosse

Year: 2014

Captain: Nekele McCall

Coach: Kate Dolan

Martha Fenton

SEASON RECORD

WON 7 LOST 8 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Aiello, Ashlyn
Burns, Hannah
Cabral, Olivia
Collins, Meredith
Davidson, Alexandra
Fenton, Jordyn
Garrity, Caroline
Guzzi, Hannah
Higgins, Bridget
Hollowell, Morgan
Kister, Laura
Krikorian, Beth
LaMarche, Olivia
Masotti, Courtney
McCall, Nekele
McCarthy, Kelly
McNamara-Bordewick, Noreen
Morin, Amy
Moss, Kyle
Overly, Kristen
Peterson, Tessa
Quigley, Eliza
Yost, Kinsey

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Varsity Lacrosse
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
1	Cabral, Olivia	A	2014	Topsfield, MA
2	Krikorian, Beth	M	2017	Windham, NH
3	Burns, Hannah	M	2015	Upper Brookville, NY
4	Peterson, Tessa	D	2015	Nederland, CO
5	Higgins, Bridget	A	2014	Norwalk, CT
6	Guzzi, Hannah	D	2014	Southborough, MA
7	Kister, Laura	M	2016	Kingston, NJ
8	McNamara-Bordewick, Noreen	M	2016	Boston, MA
9	Yost, Kinsey	D	2015	Lake Oswego, OR
10	Davidson, Alexandra	A	2017	North Andover, MA
11	McCall, Nekele*	M	2014	Cambridge, MA
12	Morin, Amy	D	2014	Lynnfield, MA
13	Quigley, Eliza	A	2015	Marblehead, MA
14	LaMarche, Olivia	D	2016	Lynnfield, MA
15	Fenton, Jordyn	D	2017	Andover, MA
16	Masotti, Courtney	D	2017	Weston, MA
17	Collins, Meredith	M	2014	Upton, MA
18	McCarthy, Kelly	D	2016	Lynnfield, MA
20	Hollowell, Morgan	M	2014	Brookfield, WI
21	Overly, Kristen	D	2015	Columbus, OH
25	Garrity, Caroline	M	2015	Lynnfield, MA
31	Aiello, Ashlyn	G	2014	Belmont, MA

**Captain*

Coaches: Kate Dolan, Martha Fenton

Managers: Vincent Mocco '15, Kyle Moss '15, Zachary Weinger '15

Girls Lacrosse Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 7/8/0

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/2 @ 3:30 PM	Middlesex	H	Game	L 6-11
4/5 @ 3:15 PM	Noble & Greenough		Game	L 12-13
4/9 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 9-17
4/11 @ 6:00 PM	Pingree	H	Game	W 16-4
4/16 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's		Game	L 12-18
4/19 @ 1:30 PM	Groton		Game	L 9-14
4/23 @ 3:30 PM	N.M.H.	H	Game	W 13-12 OT
4/26 @ 4:00 PM	Taft		Game	W 20-10
4/30 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 10-8
5/3 @ 4:00 PM	Tabor		Game	L 10-11
5/7 @ 3:15 PM	Milton	H	Game	W 13-5
5/10 @ 2:30 PM	Loomis		Game	L 11-12
5/14 @ 3:15 PM	Thayer	H	Game	L 13-14
5/21 @ 2:45 PM	Brooks	H	Game	W 22-13
5/23 @ 5:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 13-8

Middlesex 4/2/2014
Home Game 6-11
Tough Home Opener for Big Blue
In the season opener, Andover fell to Middlesex 11-6. The Big Blue fell behind 0-2 early, but then went up 3-2 and 4-3 before MX closed out the half with two quick goals. Unfortunately, Andover could not get on track in the second half and Middlesex scored four consecutive goals to open a 9-4 lead. Despite good

Noble & Greenough 4/5/2014
Away Game 12-13
GVL Tough Loss to Nobles
At Nobles, the Big Blue dropped a close game, 13-12. Andover had a good start and went up 4-1 but Nobles answered quickly with fast break goals. Andover edged ahead 6-4 but again Nobles responded and tied it at 6-6, and that was the score at the half. Nobles had the advantage to start the second half and opened up a 10-6 advantage. The Big Blue made a valiant comeback and chipped away but fell short of drawing even by one. It was a strong effort by both teams.

Brookwood School 5/7/2014
Away Game 7-12
Great Game for GJV2 Lax!
The GJV2 lacrosse team had its best game of the season (so far) and lost a hard-fought battle vs. Brookwood School, 7-12. Five different players contributed to the scoring for Andover: Emma Kaufmann-LaDuc '17 (2 goals), Anneke Sherry '17 (2 goals), Lydia Fikru '17, Rosie Poku '17, and Julia Beckwith '17. Goalkeeper Valerie Zhang '17 had 8 saves. Emma Murphy '17 had an outstanding game on defense, and Alexandria Ma '17 was terrific in the midfield.

C.CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Amy Morin '14

GIRLS LACROSSE

When it comes Andover Girls Lacrosse team, don't lose sight of Amy Morin '14. Described by her teammates as an extremely solid defender, Morin's strength and speed make her an exciting player to watch on the defensive end of the field. Morin excels at communicating with her teammates in games; she coordinates the positioning of the defense around the net to make the goalie's job just a little easier. With Captain Nekele McCall '14 still recovering from injury, Morin has stepped up to a leadership role with this team. 3/24/14

First Florida Preseason Trip Preps Team

By Kailash Sundaram
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS MEDIA EDITOR

Having graduated only four Seniors, Andover Girls Lacrosse looks to improve on an impressive 11-3-1 record with a core group of returners and talented young additions.

"We're really excited for the season [...] we have a bunch of new girls that will make an immediate impact on the team," said Co-Captain Nekele McCall '14.

Hannah Burns '15 said, "We have a lot of potential especially with some really bright young players."

Included in these new additions is Beth Krikorian '17, Claire Kister '16 and Olivia LaMarche '16.

For the first time, the team traveled to Florida for preseason over spring break to prepare itself for a winning season.

"It was a great team experience. Not only did we get to play a lot of lacrosse, but we got to be with our teammates and enjoy the nice weather," said McCall.

"We dropped a couple close games last year that we're looking to get back this year," she added.

After the team's successful trip to St. Petersburg Beach, FL, Andover continues its hard work and preparation for the upcoming season.

"I think the team's potential will be tested by a combination of commitment and fitness. And tryouts have shown me that we are up for the challenge, with a cohesive group that's ready to work," said Tessa Peterson '15.

Andover kicks off the season with a home game against Middlesex on Wednesday. 2/26/14

M.KOBELSKI/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Amy Morin '14 will spearhead a team of returners this year.

Seniors Charge the Goal, Fall by Five

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Middlesex	11

The Senior trio Captain Nekele McCall '14, Meredith Collins '14 and Olivia Cabral '14 spearheaded the charge against Middlesex on Wednesday, scoring all of Andover's six goals.

At halftime of the season opener, the relentless Andover attack endangered Middlesex's narrow one-goal lead.

In the second half, however, unforced fouls on the Andover side led Middlesex to capitalize and pull away on a six-goal run.

"We had to play a man down for a lot of the second half, because we had three yellow cards. So that's always hard," said McCall.

"Our defense got tired, our midfield got tired, so that kind of resulted in Middlesex running away with it," she added.

Andover's offense was unrelenting, and Caroline Garrity '15 continued to pressure and threaten Middlesex's hold on the game with a slew of shots on the goal. She was ultimately unable to find the net, though, and Andover's two-goal response led Middlesex to an 11-6 victory.

The game showed promise in new additions to the team, as Beth Krikorian '17, Lexi Davidson '17 and Kelly McCarthy '16 all saw time on the field.

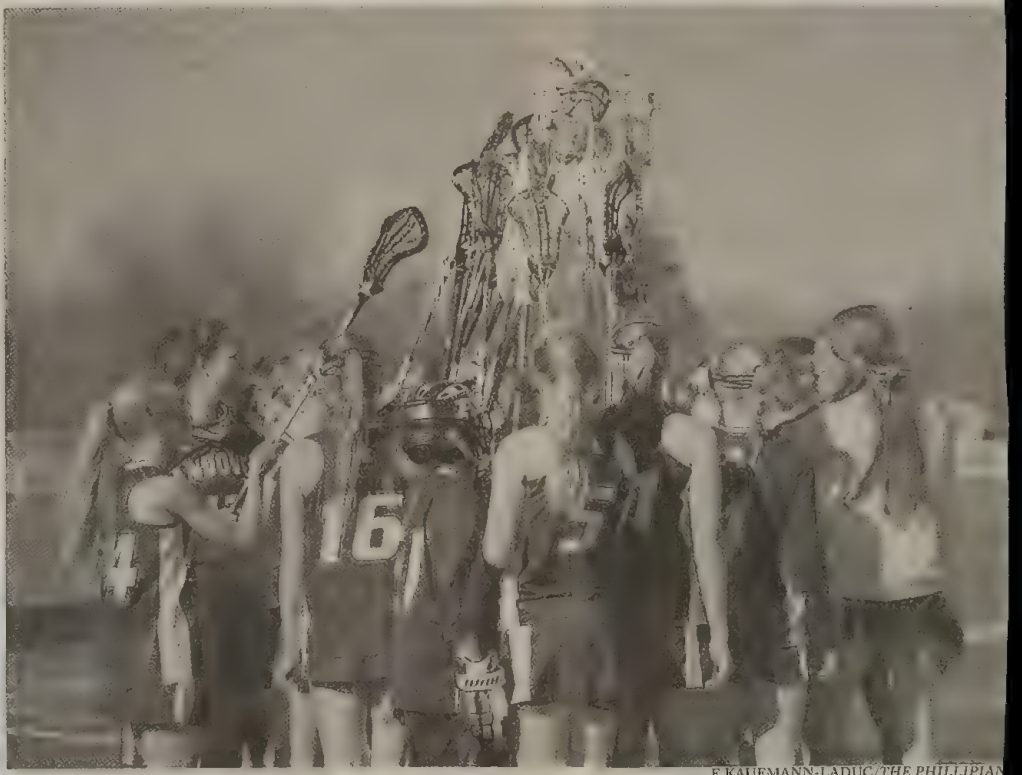
"It can be hard to get into the system as a new player and know where to go and what to do, but I'm really confident in our new players. I think they'll make a great impact," said McCall.

Andover's next game is on Saturday at Nobles and Greenough. Nobles traditionally fields a very strong team, and Andover must recover quickly to pose a challenge.

4/4/14

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Caroline Garrity '15 put Middlesex on its heels last Wednesday. She tallied numerous shots on goal, but could not break Middlesex's lead.



E.KAUFMANN-LADUC/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

The team gathers around for a group huddle.

Long Road Trips Prove Difficult For Team

Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Down 13-12, with the clock winding down, Courtney Masotti '17 found herself with the potential game-tying ball. After receiving a slotted pass near the front of the net, Massotti was quick to act, but was ultimately rejected by the Nobles goalie, who defended the slim lead for the win.

Andover Girls Lacrosse came out blazing in the first half of a game against Nobles on Saturday, immediately controlling the tempo of the game with goals from Olivia Cabral '14, Captain Nekele McCall '14, Caroline Garrity '15 and Lexi Davidson '17.

Nobles began to take advantage of fast breaks, however, and decreased the three goal gap. At halftime, the score was tied 6-6.

The intense game was reflected by the incredibly close and goal-plenty scoreline. All throughout the second half, neither team held on to a long or significant lead. Nobles attackers found the net towards the end of the game to win.

On Wednesday afternoon, Andover traveled to play a very strong Deerfield team. Similarly to the Nobles game, Andover started out very strong offensively, but went on to lose 9-17. Goals from McCall, Cabral, Garrity and Meredith Collins '14 put Andover on the board early. Though it is early in the season, these four players have already established themselves as consistent scorers.

Deerfield responded with goals of its own, and at halftime, the game was tied 7-7. In the second half of the game, Deerfield took control. With its quick and strong attackers, Deerfield went on a 2-10 run during the second half, eventually winning the game 9-17.

Defender Amy Morin '14 said, "They had a lot of fast breaks. Right off the draw, they won the ball, drove down the field and took well-placed shots. They got a lot of really quick goals, which were pretty hard to defend. They were a very good team."

"It's all about making smart decisions, being mentally prepared and changing our thought pattern. Sometimes we rush the ball too much or we are not thinking about what pass we are making, so we have to make sure we change our thought pattern and come focused and ready to go. It's all a mental game," continued Morin.

This Saturday, Andover face off against Pingree in a home game.

D.BHATHENA/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

lget Higgins '14 threads the Middlesex defense.

4/11/14

GIRLS LACROSSE

Garrity '15 McCall '14 Out-Score Pingree

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	16
Pingree	4

Captain Nekele McCall '14 received a pass just past midfield, sprinting down the field with the defense still in transition. Spinning her way past two defenders, McCall fired a shot to the top right corner of the net for her second goal of the game. She would go on to add two more goals to match Pingree's score and boost Andover Girls Lacrosse to a 16-4 win last Friday.

The victory severed Andover's three-game losing streak and grabbed its first win of the season. Early goals from McCall, Caroline Garrity '15 and Olivia Cabral '14 gave Andover the lead early on.

Excellent defending let up only one goal in the second half, and Andover retained a tight hold on its lead throughout the game.

"Starting off the spring with three tight losses was difficult, especially when we have been working so hard during practice. In the Pingree game, we had our set plays and our fast break working really well. We could control most of the draws, and we had great shot opportunities," said Garrity.

High pressure further down the field led to numerous turnovers, which Andover's attackers consistently converted into goals.

The scouring rout showed no signs of stopping. Garrity added five goals to McCall's four and Post-Graduate Morgan Hollowell '14 had a breakout performance with a hat trick..

Garrity added, "The win against Pingree was a team effort, and it felt great to put a W on our record. My teammates created all the opportunities for my goals."

On Wednesday, however, Andover fell 18-12 to St. Paul's in a fast, high-scoring match-up on both ends. Andover came close wwat the end of the first half, closing the gap at 6-7, but St. Paul's, a team stacked with 14 Senior players, eventually pulled away with successive fast break goals.

Andover will play this Saturday at Groton, looking to get the season back on track. 4/18/14

McCall '14 Scores To Trump NMH in Double-Overtime

O.PICCHIONE, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Nekele McCall '14 (left), who scored six goals against NMH, assists Hannah Burns '15 for a shot on net.

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9
Groton	14

Andover	13
NMH	12

With just over two minutes left in a second overtime, Captain Nekele McCall '14 received a pass in front of the net. As the closing minutes waned, McCall juked her defender and rattled off a shot past the goalie to give Andover Girls Lacrosse the win against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) on Wednesday.

Andover remained calm under pressure, hanging on by the skin of its teeth in a hard-fought battle against NMH in double-overtime, eventually winning 13-12.

Earlier in the week at Groton, Andover struggled offensively in the first half, and a second-half surge was not enough to secure a win. Groton pulled away with a 9-14 victory.

"We just got off the bus, and we weren't ready to warm up hard. That really showed in the first half because we had a lot of goals scored on us right away," said Kelly McCarthy '16.

Avoiding a similar sluggish start on the team's game against NHM on Wednesday, Andover scored two points early, courtesy of McCall and Olivia Cabral '14. Caroline Garrity '15 and Morgan Hollowell '14 then each added their own goals, but NMH hung tough.

Down 6-7 coming out of halftime, Hannah Burns '15 put one in the back of the net to tie the game. Then Cabral finished off her hat-trick on an assist from Junior-standout Lexi Davidson '17 to put Andover up.

In spite of Andover's offensive fireworks, the girls found themselves down 10-11 with 1:35 left in rewgulation.

A clutch snipe from McCall found the top right corner of the net and tied up the game to give Andover a second life.

NMH scored quickly on a fastbreak goal in overtime and looked to be closing in on a victory with 1:30 left on the clock.

At 1:02 left, McCall ran an isolation play, running strong to the net and ripping another goal, bringing the game back to a tie, 12-12.

Less than a minute into double-overtime sudden-death, McCall ended the game with a spectacular goal. She scored the last four goals for Andover and six in total.

On the victory, Amy Morin '14 said, "I think we played 100 percent all the way through. It was a combination of realizing what we had to work on and then working on it and doing that in the game."

Looking ahead, Andover hopes to carry the momentum from the thrilling, overtime win into this Saturday's clash with Taft.

4/25/14

kele McCall '14 is Andover Girls Lacrosse's leading scorer.

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

5/2/14

Mid-Season Turnaround Yields Wins

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	20
Taft	10
Andover	10
Governor's	8

Following last Wednesday's thrilling victory in double overtime, Andover Girls Lacrosse looked to keep its momentum rolling this week, winning 20-10 at Taft on Saturday.

Andover displayed its offensive dominance against Taft, and winning by such a wide margin was impressive for a team that had a rough start (0-3 record) in the beginning of the season.

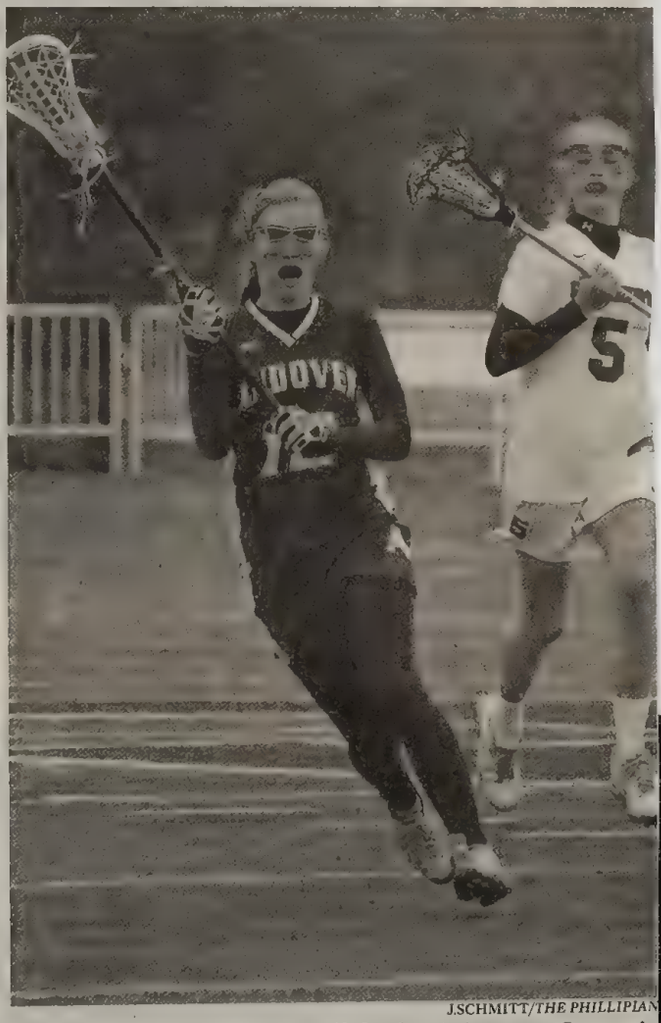
Andover was able to get their offense rolling with goals from Captain Nekele McCall '14, Caroline Garrity '15 and Olivia Cabral '14.

Andover came out one step ahead of Taft from the beginning. It won the face-offs, gathered the loose balls and pushed the game's tempo whenever it saw a fast break opportunity. In the second half, Andover maintained its dominance.

On Wednesday against Governor's Academy, Andover was able to hold off a late game surge to keep their winning streak going.

McCall and Garrity started the scoring in the first half to put Andover on the board early. McCall nodded two quick goals and Garrity got one of her own, but this was all the offensive production Andover would see in the first half. The team trailed 3-4 at halftime.

In the second half however, Andover found its rhythm and pulled ahead of Governor's. Cabral, Garrity and Amy Morin '14 each added their own goals, while McCall notched three more goals for a total of five for the game.



J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Amy Morin '14 scored in the second half of Andover's victory over Governor's.

With a little less than ten minutes left in the game Andover found itself up 9-6. With the game still close enough, Governor's picked up their tempo and searched for some late game heroics.

With under three minutes left, Governor's quickly scored on two fast break goals bringing the score dangerously to within one point.

Garrity put an end to any hope Governor's had by rocketing a shot past the goalie's head with a couple minutes left, pulling Andover up 10-8. This goal completed her hat trick, and Andover was able to seal the win.

This Saturday, Andover will look to continue its winning streak as it travels to Tabor Academy.

5/2/14

O'PICCHIONE *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Hannah Guzzi '14, known for her unmatched speed and agility, sprints down the field with Captain Nekele McCall '14 supporting.

Andover Shuts Out Milton in First Half En Route to Victory

By A Fadzi Gambia
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
Tabor	11
Andover	13
Milton	5

With 10 minutes left in the second half, Nekele McCall '14 scooped up the ball from the faceoff. Sprinting and spinning past defenders, she passed to Beth Krikorian '17 in the front of the net, and Krikorian rocketed it in.

The strike put Andover Girls Lacrosse up 9-2 over Milton, just one of many goals in a decisive 13-5 victory.

Against Milton, Andover came out strong with goals from Meredith Collins '14, Caroline Garrity '15, McCall and Lexi Davidson '17. Andover shut out Milton in the first half and started the second half up 8-0.

In the second half, Krikorian and Davidson continued scoring, each adding one additional goal, along with two more apiece from McCall and Garrity.

Olivia LaMarche '16 said, "We have definitely come together as a team: the defense as a unit, the attack as a unit."

Earlier in the week, Andover lost in a tight contest to a skilled Tabor team.

Tabor took complete control of the game in the first half, and Andover found itself down by five to start the second.

In the second half, Andover mounted a ferocious comeback with goals from Kelly McCarthy '16, Nora McNamara-Bordewick '16 and McCall. With one minute left in the game, the score was tied 10-10.

With about 20 seconds left in the game, the ball went out of bounds, and Tabor gained possession. A Tabor player drove down and scored with just five seconds left to come out with the 11-10 win.

Hot off of its convincing win against Milton, Andover travels to Loomis Chaffee this weekend looking to pick up right where it left off.

5/9/14

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Caroline Garrity '15 is committed to Harvard, and she is a menace on the lacrosse field.

Garrity Claims Half of Andover's Goals in Victory over Brooks

By Fadzi Gambiza
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	22
Brooks	13

Grabbing the ball at midfield, Caroline Garrity '15 jogged ahead and squared up to a Brooks defender. Quickly juking past her, Garrity rocketed a shot to the right corner of the net from ten yards out. That marked Garrity's 11th goal of the game, which ended as a 22-13 win over Brooks.

After having the previous Saturday off, Andover Girls Lacrosse was fresh and energized for Wednesday's home game. The energy showed early, with the team firing in ten first-half goals, setting the tone for the rest of the game.

Nekele McCall '14 netted three, Meredith Collins '14 added one and Garrity nabbed six before the first half was over. Strong defense that contained the Brooks offense brought Andover to a 10-6 lead at the half.

On the other side of the break, Brooks began to close the gap, getting two quick goals to trim Andover's lead to two at 10-8. Garrity and McCall, however, had other plans. The pair netted a goal apiece to give Andover a four-goal advantage.

After Brooks scored two more to bring the game back within two, Andover's attack took off and put the game away for good. With 14 minutes left in the game and the score sitting at 12-10, Andover rattled off eight unanswered goals to bury Brooks.

Lexi Davidson '17 scored on a wrap-around, and McCall added two more goals of her own to bring her game total to six.

Garrity, meanwhile, continued her offensive dominance by adding three more goals to bring the lead to 18-10 with six minutes left.

Despite her consistent performance as a key member of Andover's offense, it is hard to say anyone saw this 11-goal explosion coming.

On Garrity's breakout game, teammate Kelly McCarthy '16 said, "I think the reason [Garrity] is so successful is that she doesn't hesitate when she has the ball. She acts right away and drives to the net."

Seniors Morgan Hollowell '14 and Meredith Collins '14 added three goals, one for Hollowell and two for Collins, to close out the game.

This marks the second time Andover has scored 20 or more points in a game this season. These 20-point eruptions speak to the team's offensive firepower and potential going forward into next season.

This Friday, Andover will wrap up its season at home against Phillips Exeter Academy, looking to finish the year on a high note.

5/23/14

Sport: Softball

Year: 2014

Captain: Kasey Hartung & Ravenne Nasser

Coach: Peter Drench

Doug Kuhlmann

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Bauman, Tiffany
Bergeron, Victoria
Bilal, Laura
Bradford, Mackenzie
Bradford, Madison
Comer, Madeline
Emerson, Alexander
Hartung, Kasey
Holder, Sidney
Kaplan, Jennifer
Kim, Eun Jae
Kreider, Katherine
Moreau, Jeanine
Nasser, Ravenne
Nestor, Miranda
Shin, Erica
Tammaro, Antonia
Thompson, Kayla

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Varsity Softball
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown
2	Bauman, Tiffany	INF	2016	Houston, TX
3	Bradford, Mackenzie	C/1B	2015	Paradise Valley, AZ
4	Bergeron, Victoria	INF	2016	McLean, VA
5	Nestor, Miranda	OF/P	2016	Reading, MA
8	Comer, Madeline	OF	2016	North Reading, MA
9	Thompson, Kayla	OF	2015	Montclair, NJ
10	Bilal, Laura	OF	2017	Methuen, MA
11	Kim, Eun Jae	OF	2015	Honolulu, HI
12	Hartung, Kasey*	INF	2014	Haverhill, MA
13	Bradford, Madison	INF	2017	Paradise Valley, AZ
15	Shin, Erica	C	2016	Pasadena, CA
18	Holder, Sidney	1B/OF	2017	West Orange, NJ
19	Moreau, Jeanine	UTIL	2016	Litchfield, CT
21	Kaplan, Jennifer	P/OF	2015	Auburndale, MA
23	Tammaro, Antonia	OF/C	2017	Lynnfield, MA
24	Kreider, Katherine	UTIL	2014	Boxford, MA
25	Nasser, Ravenne*	P	2015	Methuen, MA

**Captains*

Coach: Peter Drench
Assistant Coaches: Doug Kuhlmann, Sarah Boylan

Filmer: Alexander Emerson '17

Girls Softball Spring 2014
Schedule and Record

6/5/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/2 @ 3:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Scrimmage	
4/5 @ 9:10 AM	North Reading HS, Ipswich HS, Rockport HS, Lowell HS		Scrimmage	
4/9 @ 3:45 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 0-5
4/11 @ 4:45 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	L 2-5
4/17 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	W 9-2
4/17 @ 4:30 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	
4/19 @ 1:00 PM	North Reading HS	H	Game	L 2-3, 0-10 (6)
4/24 @ 3:45 PM	North Reading HS	H	Scrimmage	
4/26 @ 2:00 PM	Tabor/BBN/Exeter	H	Game	CANCELED
4/30 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter		Game	CANCELED
5/3 @ 3:15 PM	Worcester	H	Game	W 8-0
5/5 @ 4:45 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	W 3-1
5/7 @ 3:15 PM	B. B. & N.		Game	W 9-7
5/9 @ 4:30 PM	Lawrence Academy		Game	W 13-6
5/10 @ 11:00 AM	Concord-Carlisle	H	Game	
5/10 @ 1:30 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 9-0
5/17 @ 9:00 AM	Big East	H	Game	CANCELED
5/18 @ 9:30 AM	Big East Tournament: BB&N; Nobles	H	Tournament	W, 10-1; L, 0-1
5/18 @ 11:30 AM	Big East		Game	
5/18 @ 2:00 PM	Big East		Game	
5/18 @ 4:00 PM	Big East		Game	TABOR Wins
5/21 @ 3:15 PM	Brooks	H	Game	L 0-3
5/24 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	
5/24 @ 5:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L L, 2-4; L, 1-9

Noble & Greenough 4/9/2014
Home Game 0-5
Nobles Shuts Out Blue in Season Opener, 5-0
The game was scoreless until the top of the fifth, when a bunt, stolen base, wild pitch and sacrifice fly produced what became the winning run. Nobles added four more in the top of the sixth as PA's defense ran into difficulty. Andover's attack managed just four hits: 2B Victoria Bergeron went 2-for-3; 3B Kasey Hartung and CF Toni Tammaro chipped in with one each. The Blue travel to Governor's Academy (3-0) on Friday for a 4:30 p.m. game.

Governor's Academy 4/11/2014
Home Game 2-5
Blue Grab But Can't Hold Early Lead, Fall to Govs, 5-2
In the first frame of a game originally scheduled for Byfield but moved to the much drier Isham Field, PA was the "visiting" team and came to play aggressively. 2B Victoria Bergeron earned a leadoff walk and was moved to second base by 3B Kasey Hartung's sacrifice bunt, which was mishandled, allowing Hartung to reach first safely. Catcher Erica Shin reached on an error, scoring Bergeron. Two outs later, Nasser singled to center field, plating Hartung. But PA had difficulties hauling in fly balls in the outfield, dropping three, two after long runs that were scored as hits, one a routine fly ball. Meanwhile, the Blue could not get back into the scoring column. Govs pulled away and weathered a last-ditch, bases loaded rally in the seventh to seal their third win in three tries. PA's young team fell to 0-2 in the early going, but showed signs of improvement. The Blue will host St. Paul's on Wednesday, April 16, at 3:00 p.m.

St. Paul's 4/17/2014
Home Game 9-2
Nasser One-hitter, Bergeron and Kim Bats and Kreider Glove Work Lead Blue Over St. Paul's
PA broke into the 2014 win column with a 9-2 thrashing of previously unbeaten St. Paul's School (3-1). P Ravenne Nasser (1-2) hurled a one-hitter; the one blemish was a sixth-inning, two-run homer that ruined her shutout bid. 1B Katie Kreider played an inspired defensive game at first base in support of Nasser's nine-strikeout effort. SS Victoria Bergeron (3-for-4, one RBI) and RF E.J. Kim (2-for-3) keyed the attack. Kim led off what became a seven-run, third inning uprising with a bunt single. DP Jen Kaplan and Nasser had two hits apiece, and C Erica Shin (double, RBI) and OFs Antonia Tammaro (2 RBI) and Sidney Holder chipped in with singles. PA hosts North Reading HS in a doubleheader on Saturday, April 19, at 1:00 p.m.

North Reading HS 4/19/2014
Home Game 2-3; 0-10
Blue Drop Twinbill to Hornets
The Hornets managed five hits off Nasser, ran the bases well and took full advantage of their opportunities. A leadoff walk and one-out infield hit in the first inning led to a run when both runners were able to move into scoring position on an infield groundout and a clutch single put NRHS on the board. Another infield hit, a throw that got away, a passed ball and an infield out gave the Hornets a 2-0 advantage in the third inning. PA got one back in the home fourth; CF Antonia Tammaro doubled with one out, advanced to third on an infield grounder and scored thanks Nasser's RBI double. The Blue were unable to get anything more going offensively and allowed NRHS to score a key insurance run in the top of the seventh.
RF E. J. Kim attempted a spectacular shoestring catch on a one-out sinking line drive but the ball popped out of her glove as she hit the ground. Her desperate throw to first base sailed high, allowed the batter to reach second and quickly moved to third on another passed ball. A hard ground single to center brought her home. When PA's rally in the bottom of the seventh fell short that run proved decisive. With one out, Nasser doubled again and LF Miranda Nestor lay down a perfect bunt single, pushing Nasser to third. Nasser scored on Kim's groundout, but Nestor was thrown out on a close play at third base to end the threat and with it, the game.
In the second contest, NRHS raced into the lead in the top of the first inning, tallying five runs off P Jen Kaplan (0-1). Two infield errors didn't help her cause, although the inning ended on a laser throw by LF Antonia Tammaro to nail a baserunner at home. But the Blue played poorly, running themselves out of a potential big inning in the fifth when, despite twice loading the bases, two runners were caught off base between third and home. The Hornets had added single runs in the second and third, before sending three more across the plate in the top of the sixth. PA led off the bottom of the inning with a sharp single but three straight outs left the Blue facing a mercy-rule, 10-0, six-inning defeat. Kaplan was touched up for a dozen hits, but half of the runs she was charged with were unearned. The ten-run shutout was one of the most one-sided losses suffered by PA in recent seasons.

Worcester 5/3/2014
Home Game 8-0

Battery Leads Blue to a Much-Needed Win,
PA broke open a 1-0 game with six runs in the second inning. Aided by an outfield error, the big blows were struck by 2B Madi Bradford, RF EJ Kim, LF Jen Kaplan (a 2-RBI double) and Nasser. CF Antonia Tammaro and DP Sidney Holder also recorded safeties. Kim and Bradford also combined to steal three bases. 1B Katie Kreider turned in an outstanding defensive game. PA travels to Phillips Exeter on Monday afternoon to play a makeup game at 4:45 p.m.

Phillips Exeter Academy 5/5/2014
Away Game 3-1
PA Scratches Out Win Over Stubborn Exeter
PA stranded runners at second and third in the top of the third inning. SS Tiffany Bauman drew a walk on a full count and 2B Madi Bradford reached on an infield single, turning the bottom of the batting order while creating a threat. But P Chloe Dubocq struck out the next batter and a sacrifice bunt by LF Jen Kaplan, though successful, registered the second out of the inning. With both runners in scoring position, Dubocq ended the inning with another strikeout, the fifth of eleven she tallied on the day.
Andover broke through in the fourth. CF Antonia Tammaro walked with one out and advanced to second during another Dubocq K. Hartung's hard single drove in Tammaro for a 1-0 PA lead, but Exeter would answer immediately. Dubocq reached on an infield hit off 1B Katie Kreider's mitt, and advanced to second and third on wild pitches with two outs. She was awarded home on the second stray delivery, on a controversial decision, aided by an out-of-play line that is unusually close to home plate.
Each team stranded seven baserunners, so no inning was free of tension. PA nudged ahead in the sixth, 2-1, on the strength of a one-out single by Tammaro and a pinch-hit sacrifice bunt by Kayla Thompson, which moved Jeanine Moreau, running for Tammaro, into scoring position. Hartung delivered again, this time hitting a hard smash that found its way into left field. Moreau, running on the pitch, scored from second with the go-ahead run. But the Red weren't about to go quietly.
A two-out double by 1B Alexandra Beltrus put the tying run in scoring position with the dangerous C Paola Otero coming up to bat. With first base open, PA elected to walk Otero intentionally, a tactic that seemed to backfire when RF Britanni Chapman topped a 1-2 pitch that was just enough to load the bases. A fine play by Hartung on a grounder by DP Az Nalbandian kept PEA off the board.
The Blue banked a precious insurance run in the top of the seventh. Madi Bradford singled to left field and RF E.J. Kim sacrificed her to second base. After a strikeout, Nasser reached on an infield error, with Bradford scoring. With the bottom of Exeter's order coming up in the home seventh, the game seemed almost over -- but not quite.

With one out, LF Allegra Grant reached on a dropped third strike. 3B Carly Perreault singled to left field, and Exeter was back in business, needing one run to tie and two to win. SS Weilin Chan hit a sharp ground ball toward the 5/6 hole, but Hartung dove for it and managed to tag Grant heading for third base, getting the all-important lead runner and limiting the Red to just the tying run in scoring position. A groundball back to Nasser, who flipped to Kreider, snuffed out the rally and PA survived, 3-1, in a well-played, highly competitive game that did both teams proud.
PA travels to Cambridge on Wednesday to play BB&N at 3:15 p.m.

B. B. & N. 5/7/2014
Away Game 9-7
PA Outlasts BB&N in See-Saw Battle
P Ravenne Nasser didn't have her best stuff but matched BB&N's Meaghan O'Brien pitch-for-pitch as both competed hard for every out. Nasser gave up ten hits, yet found a way to wriggle out of every threat but one after giving up six runs in the first two innings. PA had jumped out to a 1-0 advantage when 3B Kasey Hartung doubled, Nasser singled before being lifted for pinch-runner Jeanine Moreau, and CF Antonia Tammaro singled Hartung home. BB&N promptly replied with two runs in the bottom half, before PA answered back with two in the second frame. DP Sidney Holder came across on a single by Hartung, who tallied on a Nasser base hit.
BB&N surged ahead, 6-3, in the home half and looked ready to pull away for good, but the Blue rallied for four runs of their own in the top of the third to grab a one-run lead. Tammaro walked to start the inning and was sacrificed into scoring position by RF Jen Kaplan. With two out, it didn't appear that PA had much of a chance to do any damage, but Bauman reached on a bunt she pushed a bunt between the pitcher and BB&N's charging third baseman that brought in Tammaro, who had been off with the pitch. Madi Bradford's smash went off the pitcher's glove and loaded the bases for her sister, Mackenzie, who was sent up to pinch-hit for Holder. She delivered a ringing double to the fence to drive across two runs before the inning ended on an infield popup.
Then, as if a switch had been flipped, both teams settled down. BB&N would manage only one more run, which tied the game in the sixth, while PA was shut out until its two runs in the seventh inning put the contest out of reach. Katie Kreider was once again immense defensively at first base; SS Bauman had five putouts and two assists, 2B Madi

Bradford had one putout and five assists, and Nasser was kept busy fielding her position, ending with two putouts and six assists, to go with her three strikeouts. BB&N's Courtney Erickson, O'Brien, Burt and Diffley each had two hits in this high-scoring affair, The teams combined for twenty-four hits, seven walks and four errors in a game that included several sparkling defensive plays, as well. BB&N's lineup will be heard from again during the Big East Invitational on May 17-18.
PA has one more road game this week, on Friday, at Lawrence Academy, at 4:30 p.m.

Lawrence Academy 5/9/2014
Away Game 13-6
Blue Race to Early Lead, Hold Off Spartans for 13-6 Win
LF Jen Kaplan had four hits and C Victoria Bergeron three, while 3B Kasey Hartung, SS Tiffany Bauman and 2B/SS Madi Bradford chipped in two apiece. For the second game in a row, the most dramatic blows were delivered by Mackenzie Bradford, who came off the bench to smack a deep fly ball to right field that was dropped and a long double, both multiple run producers. After a 1-4 start, PA has now won four consecutive games.
Tomorrow, PA will host Concord-Carlisle HS and Deerfield Academy, at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., respectively.

Deerfield 5/10/2014
Home Game 9-0
Big Blue Bests Big Green, 9-0, in GP Day Tilt
Batterymate Mackenzie Bradford had three hits, while CF Toni Tammaro and DP Sidney Holder checked in with two hits each. The win capped a busy week that saw the Blue win three road games to climb over .500. Nasser, Holder, Tammaro and SS Victoria Bergeron have been leading the way offensively, while 1B Katie Kreider has played a key defensive role in tightening up the infield. Jen Kaplan has pitched well of late, and Kayla Thompson's outfield play has also been improving.
PA (6-4) will co-host the Big East Prep Invitational Tournament with Brooks on Saturday and Sunday, May 17-18, starting at 9:30 a.m. on both campuses.

Big East Tournament: BB&N; Nobles 5/18/2014
Home Game W 10-1: L 0-1
Second Seeded Tabor Defeats #1 and Previously Unbeaten Nobles (15-1) for Big East Crown After # 5 PA (7-5) Drops Heartbreaker in Semi-Finals, 1-0
Andover put runners in scoring position in each of the first three innings. In the top of the first, a one-out walk to Nasser and a double by SS Victoria Bergeron put the pressure on Nobles, but Gonzalez struck out the next batter and induced an infield pop-up to end the threat. In the second frame, 2B Madi Bradford lined a single to left. After two more strikeouts, E.J. Kim drew a walk, but a groundout retired the side. Nasser led off the third inning with a booming double and Bergeron singled, putting runners on first and third with none out. But C Mackenzie Bradford's hard line drive went right to the shortstop, and Gonzalez quickly dispatched the next two batters. She would set down four more before Nasser strike again, smashing another double with one out in the fifth inning. But Bergeron's drive to center was reeled in easily and Mackenzie Bradford's fly ball was put away in shallow right field to erase another PA attempt to score.

Meanwhile, Nasser was authoring her own narrative, retiring the first eight to face her, until a two-out bunt single in the third inning. Nobles began the fourth with a single, but two straight force plays kept anyone from reaching scoring position, and a Nasser strikeout shut the door. Unfortunately for PA, Gonzalez set down all eight batters who followed Nasser's fifth-inning double and, when Andover opened the door a crack in the bottom of the seventh, Nobles was able to squeeze through for the win, leaving Nasser as the hitter scheduled to lead off the international tiebreaker in the eighth inning, with the speedy DP Sidney Holder on second base and Bergeron on deck.
The inning began innocently enough, with a groundout, but C Camille Walter, who had popped up and struck out previously, after getting ahead in the count, 2-0 and 3-1, worked Nasser for a walk and then stole second base on the first pitch to the next hitter. Nasser was ordered to intentionally walk that batter, whose potential run was meaningless, in order to set up a force play at three bases, but PA failed to handle a routine groundball as the throw got away, its only error of the game, allowing Walter to scamper home with the decisive run.
Nasser starred in the circle and in the batter's box in both of PA's games, a 10-1 romp over #4 BB&N and the subsequent narrow defeat. She pitched 13.1 innings, allowing only two runs (one earned) on four hits, while striking out seven and walking five, (one intentionally) in 13.1 innings of pitching. At the plate, Nasser went 4-fo-5, including two doubles and a home run, while drawing two walks and driving in two runs.

Bergeron went 4-for-8, with 2 RBI in the two games. 3B Kasey Hartung had two hits in the first round, to go with single safeties by Holder and Madi Bradford. PA's attack, which garnered eight hits in the opener and benefited from six walks and four uncharacteristic Knights miscues, was stymied by Nobles' airtight defense. Andover's five hits and the two walks it managed off Gonzalez went for naught while Nasser's masterly two-hitter was undone by one misplay. Such is tournament softball, a tense chess match decided by a small margin after a momentary lapse: "Little things win big games." In THIS well-played big game, Andover gave its then-unbeaten opponent all it could handle, but the much-improved PA squad blinked first.

PA hosts Brooks on Wednesday, May 21, at 3:15 p.m., and will close out its season on Saturday, May 24, with a Celebration of 40 Years of PA Coeducation, four decades of Title IX and the rededication of the upgraded softball facilities. Ceremonies commence at 2:00 p.m., followed by the annual doubleheader vs. Exeter at 3:00.

Seeding

1. Nobles	5. Andover
2. Tabor	6. Worcester
3. Exeter	7. Milton
4. BB&N	8. Brooks

Results

First Round	**Second Round**
Nobles 9 – Brooks 0	Nobles 1 – Andover 0
Tabor 12 –Milton 2	Tabor 13 – Exeter 4
Exeter 6 - Worcester 5	**Championship Game**
Andover 10 – BB&N 1	Tabor 4 – Nobles 1

2014 All-BET Team

	Halle Silva (Tabor) **MVP**	
	First Team	
Victoria Bergeron (Andover)	Amanda Gonzalez (Nobles)	Alix Santos(Nobles)
Weilin Chan (Exeter	Ravenne Nasser (Andover)	Camille Walter (Nobles)
Chloe Dubocq (Exeter)	Alyssa Rueb(Tabor)	Christine White (Tabor)
	Honorable Mention	
Ashley Adelberg (Milton)	Helen Hultin(Exeter)	Sara Lopez-Wheeler (BB&N)
Melanie Economos (Worcester)	Cassandra Hunt (Brooks)	Timary Malley (Worcester)
Ariel Etheridge (Tabor)	Kayla Jang(Milton)	Az Nalbandian (Exeter)
Charlie Guscott (Milton)	Liv Kaszenak(Tabor)	Casey Nunnelly (Nobles)
Gabbi Hillner(Brooks)	E. J. Kim(Andover)	Meaghan O'Brien (BB&N)

Brooks 5/21/2014
Home Game 0-3

PA Misses No-Hit Bid, Shut Out By Brooks, 3-0

Kaplan fanned Gabi Hillner, but the pitch broke down in the dirt and away from C Mackenzie Bradford, whose throw to 1B Sidney Holder couldn't quite retire Hillner. Kaplan struck out the next batter. With one out, PA fielded a grounder but the throw sailed past Holder, putting runners on second and third. With Felicia Cafua at bat, Brooks called for a squeeze play, which Cafua executed beautifully. Hillner slid home ahead of the tag for a 1-0 lead, still without the benefit of a hit. Caroline Saef walked, but after another strikeout, it was Nicole Rivera's turn. Brooks's ninth-place batter had struck out twice, but this time she lofted an 0-2 pitch on a low arc toward shallow right field, destined to fall out of reach. The only question was whether it would be fair or foul. All doubt was removed as the ball landed, kicking up chalk, this one hit sending two precious insurance runs across the plate for a 3-0 lead. PA went down quietly in the bottom of the inning, its only shred of hope a one-out walk to LF Erica Shin, but she would be stranded after a lazy fly ball to center field and an infield pop-up.

It was the second straight shutout loss for PA, with the winning runs in both games coming in the seventh inning. Kaplan pitched very well in defeat, walking three, striking out ten and allowing only Rivera's two-RBI hit. All three runs were unearned.

Brooks finished its season on a high note, while PA has a home doubleheader remaining on Saturday vs. Exeter. Ceremonies start at 2:00 p.m., with the first game set to being at 3:00.

Exeter 5/24/2014
Home Game 2-4: 1-9

In Festive Atmosphere Softball Field Acquires New Name, But Exeter Sweeps Season-Ending Twin Bill, 4-2, 9-1

PA committed as many errors on the day, eight, as it registered hits. As it has done previously this season, inconsistent defense and a sputtering offense victimized P Ravenne Nasser. She ended her season with a modest 7-6 record in official games, even though her ERA was only 2.27 and she struck out 93 while walking just twenty. Nasser gave up six hits in the opener and was tagged with the loss in Game 1 despite walking one and striking out seven. All four Exeter runs were unearned. She wasn't as sharp in Game 2 but would have worked out of a second-inning jam but for a dropped liner by an infielder with two outs and the bases loaded. Instead, the Red went on to tally five times. Nasser gave way to Jen Kaplan, who pitched the final four frames, allowing just one run, also unearned. The game was called due to rain with none out in the home sixth.

Nasser also led the team offensively, finishing the season with a .458 batting average on 22 hits, half of which went for extra bases, including a home run, while driving in nine runs. SS Victoria Bergeron, who also started four games behind the plate, hit at a .377 clip on the strength of 20 hits. 2B Madi Bradford totaled 13 hits; Jen Kaplan and Kasey Hartung contributed a dozen apiece. Sidney Holder split her time between the designated player position and first base, showing real potential in both roles.

Kaplan pitched also pitched better than her record indicated and also saw time in the outfield. Defensively, RF E.J. Kim and LF Kayla Thompson improved significantly, and CF Antonia Tammaro anchored the outfield. Miranda Nestor, Erica Shin and Maddie Comer contributed "on the green," as well, while Jeanine Moreau played the outfield and second base, and served as a valuable base runner in games when the courtesy runner rule was in effect. Tiffany Bauman played shortstop and third base, but Laura Bilal's season was cut short by an injury.

Mackenzie Bradford, Bergeron and Shin shared the catching duties, with Bradford emerging as the starter late in the season, allowing Bergeron to return to shortstop full-time. 1B Katie Kreider, playing her first season of softball as a senior, was rock-solid defensively. Four-year player Hartung, one of the team's co-captains, was a fixture at third base.

Coaching duties were shared with Drench by retiring long-time assistant and Senior Adviser to the Softball Program Doug Kuhlmann, and Teaching Fellow in Chemistry Sarah Boylan '09, with Lindsay Maroney '07 instructing on a volunteer basis whenever her schedule allowed. Boylan and Maroney are former star players at PA who went on to collegiate softball at Middlebury and UMass-Amherst, respectively.

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Ravenne Nasser '15

SOFTBALL

Over at Graves Field, Ravenne Nasser '15 and the Andover Softball team will try to complete the four-peat. Nasser leads the way on the mound with a 64-mph fastball, a dirty 10-4 curveball and a 40-mph changeup to mix things up. Mackenzie Bradford '15, Nasser's catcher, says she loves working with her because she attacks each hitter with a defined approach and is "extremely reliable."

Nasser sets up batters high-and-inside with a fastball and then sends them away away with a changeup that comes in 20 mph slower than her heater. Expect to hear about her work as the ace of this team in search of a fourth championship.

3/28/14

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Ravenne Nasser '15 will lead alongside Kasey Hartung '14 as Co-Captain

Young Team to Dominate the Diamond

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Girls Softball looks to capture its fourth-straight Big East Title this season. With just one Senior and a young core of players, Andover will work hard to maintain last year's undefeated record.

"Other teams have been beaten by us for years, and will be looking for redemption. That being said, we are focused on the present season, and there is a lot of time between now and [the Big East tournament on] May 17th," said first baseman Victoria Bergeron '16.

Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 added, "As long as we stay resilient and smart on the field, we will be tremendously successful this year. We have all the skills — we just need to start piecing them together."

Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 will be the ace of the pitching staff. To complement her fastball, Nasser sports an array of dizzying off-speed pitches: a screwball, a riseball and a changeup. Nasser maintains an ability to change speeds and throw with command to both sides of the plate. Jen Kaplan '15 and Miranda Nestor '16 will follow Nasser in the pitching line-up.

The pitchers will be managed by catcher Mackenzie Bradford '15, a three-year Varsity catcher. Bradford brings physical skill and the ability to handle her staff and make pitchers comfortable in games. "Especially catching for [Nasser], we always know what we want to throw which works well for us. We have been throwing together since freshman year, so we are on the exact same page when it comes to games," said Bradford.

In addition to Bergeron and Hartung, Andover will add Mackenzie Bradford's younger sister, Madi Bradford '17, a lefty-hitting middle infielder with good speed, and Tiffany Bauman '16, a versatile fielder who can play in the infield and the outfield to the roster.

"Madi Bradford is definitely someone to watch out for. She could be incredibly helpful in our middle infield especially since we lost a great shortstop, and she could use her speed and slapping to score a lot of runs for us," said Nasser.

Three-year veteran Kayla Thompson '15, a righty slugger with a patient bat at the plate and a strong arm, will lead Andover's outfield.

"I think what puts us ahead is how cohesive our team is. Coming off spring training [in Florida over March break], we have already bonded and communicate super well," said Nasser.

Hartung and Nasser will bring passion and hard work to the softball field.

"On top of being a really good player, [Hartung] is super supportive and a great leader off the field," said Nasser.

Hartung added, "I've never had a teammate that is as dedicated and truly passionate about softball as [Nasser] is. She's so talented and competitive and her desire to win is infectious, so I know she can lead us to another championship."

Andover will look to begin its quest for a fourth straight championship with a strong win in its opening scrimmage against Andover High School on April 2.

3/28/14

Short of Crosstown Rival

Andover (L): 6-5

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Girls Softball team opened the season up with an eight-inning scrimmage against crosstown rival Andover High. The team fell 6-5.

Ravenne Nasser '15 toed the rubber for PA for the first six innings of the game, tossing a "lights out performance," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

"Ravenne pitched great," said catcher Mackenzie Bradford '15, who added a two-run single on a first pitch outside fastball that she roped into left. "That changeup was on fire," she added.

Jen Kaplan '15 came out of the bullpen for three solid innings following Nasser's dominant performance to close out the game.

Madi Bradford '17 played solid defense and had a gritty performance at the plate, slapping three hits throughout the course of the game and moving up base runners into scoring position. She tallied two RBIs for herself in the loss.

Andover will play North Andover on Saturday. 4/4/14

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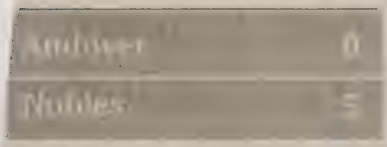
Erica Shin '16 made contact every time she stepped up the plate.

SOFTBALL

Girls Earn Shutout in Season Opener

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 struck out seven batters and gave up only one earned run en route to a complete seven-inning game. Nasser's strong effort resulted in a 4-2 win over Lowell High to conclude Andover Girls Softball's preseason on Monday.

On Wednesday, however, Andover fell 5-0 to Nobles in its first official game of the season.

Against Lowell on Monday, Nasser said she "[tended] to work fastballs in to get ahead and then try to get kids out with change ups and drop curves, especially for strikeouts."

Andover scrapped for runs and took advantage of Lowell's mistakes, scoring two runs on passed balls.

Nasser tacked on a run as well, fighting off a 1-2 screwball over the inside corner up the middle for an RBI single in the fifth inning.

Victoria Bergeron '16, normally a shortstop, proved a stronghold at second base in the wake of an injury to second baseman Madi Bradford '17, who was hit in the hand with a pitch on Andover's play-day on Saturday. Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 executed key stops at third base as well.

"As an infielder, it's my duty to make the routine plays and even the difficult plays, to help out the pitcher and the team, and today I was able to do that," said Bergeron.

On Wednesday, Nobles kept steady pressure on Andover, stayed patient at the plate, and took advantage of defensive miscues. By the end of Nasser's six-inning outing, Nobles had worked the starter for 117 pitches and a 5-0 deficit. Jen Kaplan '15 came in and closed out the game for Andover, pitching a scoreless seventh inning.

"Nobles was a strong team, but we did a good job staying in the game up until the sixth inning," said Kaplan.

Bergeron, one of the lone bright lights of the day, went 2-3, her only out of the day a narrowly missed double in the fifth inning. Bergeron ripped a 2-2 fastball to dead center that was robbed on a running over-the-shoulder grab by the Nobles centerfielder.

Andover will return to the field Friday, for a matinee away at Governor's Academy. 4/11/14

SOFTBALL

Nasser Strikes Out Eight

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Governor's	5

Despite scoring two runs in the first inning, Andover Girls Softball fell to Governor's Academy 5-2 on Friday. Andover's record now stands at 0-2.

Andover kicked off the game on a strong note. Victoria Bergeron '16 started the inning with a walk and scored on an error. Co-Captain Kasey Hartung '14 got on base on a mishandled sacrifice bunt and scored on an RBI single from fellow Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15.

The team, however, was unable to maintain offensive momentum. A series of defensive miscues resulted in four runs for Governor's. Andover's outfield made three errors alone.

Nasser struck out eight and gave up only one earned run in the loss.

The game was initially scheduled at Governor's but was moved to Andover because of bad field conditions at Governor's. In a rare occurrence, Andover played as the "away" team at Isham field.

Andover's game against St. Paul's, originally planned for Wednesday, was played on Thursday due to the snow.

The team will look for its first win against North Reading High School on Saturday.

4/18/14

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Ravenne Nasser had an RBI single.

Scouting Report: Ravenne Nasser '15

By Andreas Tonckens

Andover Girls' Softball Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 is working to lead Andover to its fourth straight Big East Tournament Championship. In Andover's last exhibition game against Lowell, Nasser struck out seven batters and gave up only one run en-route to a complete game. Here's a breakdown of how Nasser stays ahead of her competition.

Mechanics

Keeping her weight back while she starts her arm rotation, Nasser creates a seamless weight transfer into her six-foot stride. Nasser begins her delivery by cocking her arm back at an angle close to 100°, on par with the angle that professional pitchers hit on their load. She then throws herself forwards, coiling all her energy up in her legs, glutes and core. From here to the time she releases the ball takes Nasser only 1.10 seconds, on par with the time it takes Olympic Gold Medalist Jennie Finch to unload her pitches.

Location

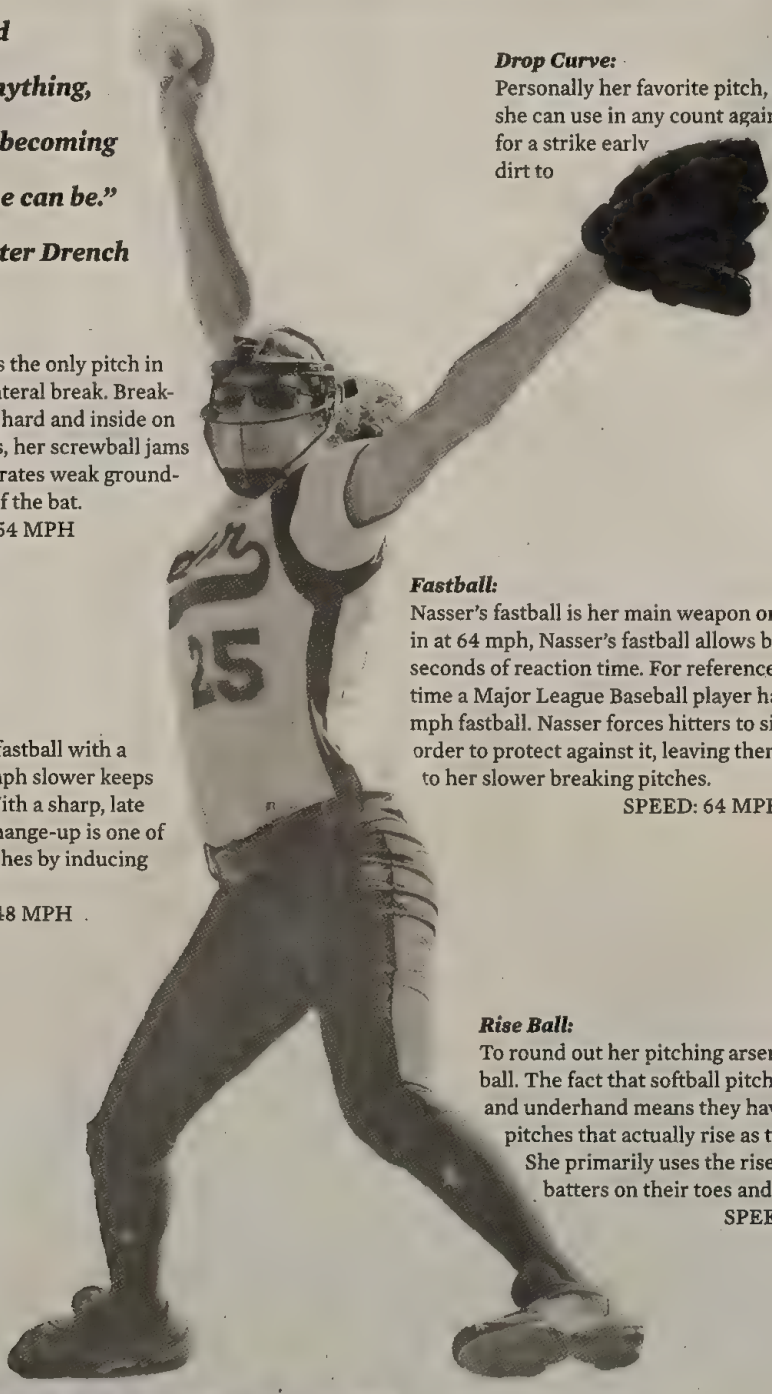
Textbook mechanics, however, don't necessarily make a pitcher great. Hitters can connect on a ball thrown down the middle of the plate, regardless of the speed. Something Nasser does that is often overlooked is moving the ball around the strike zone, according to teammate Mackenzie Bradford '15. Nasser works primarily down in the zone in order to keep the ball on the ground and reduce costly mistakes.

Softball IQ

Unlike many talented high school pitchers, Nasser does not sell-out for strikeouts. Nasser's main objective is to get the batter out and win the game as opposed to racking up strikeouts and filling her stat sheet. Nasser's ability to avoid the strikeout obsession allows her to work smartly in the zone and utilize all her pitches to get batters off- balance and avoid giving up solid contact.

"If work ethic and attitude count for anything, Ravenne will end up becoming the best pitcher she can be."

— Coach Peter Drench



Drop Curve:
Personally her favorite pitch, Nasser's curveball is a weapon she can use in any count against any batter. She can throw it for a strike early in the count, or bury it in the dirt to get hitters chasing with two strikes.
SPEED: 56 MPH

Screwball:
Nasser's screwball is the only pitch in her arsenal with a lateral break. Breaking 9-3 and running hard and inside on right handed batters, her screwball jams the hitters and generates weak ground-balls of the handle of the bat.
SPEED: 54 MPH

Fastball:
Nasser's fastball is her main weapon on the mound. Coming in at 64 mph, Nasser's fastball allows batters only .394 seconds of reaction time. For reference, that's less than the time a Major League Baseball player has to react on a 90 mph fastball. Nasser forces hitters to sit on the fastball in order to protect against it, leaving them entirely susceptible to her slower breaking pitches.
SPEED: 64 MPH

Changeup:
Complementing her fastball with a changeup that is 15 mph slower keeps hitters off balance. With a sharp, late 12-6 drop, Nasser's change-up is one of her biggest "out" pitches by inducing ground-balls.
SPEED: 48 MPH

Rise Ball:
To round out her pitching arsenal, Nasser throws a rise ball. The fact that softball pitchers throw from flat ground and underhand means they have a unique ability to throw pitches that actually rise as they get closer to the plate. She primarily uses the rise ball in 0-2 counts to keep batters on their toes and move them off the plate.
SPEED: 56 MPH

4/18/14

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ravenne Nasser '15

Night and Day

Girls Softball Performances Yield Big Win and Big Losses

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9
St. Paul's	2
Andover	2
North Reading	3
Andover	0
North Reading	10

Tired but overjoyed, Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 walked off Isham field with a grin on her face on Thursday, April 17.

On offense, the ace righty went 3-3 at the plate with a RBI. On defense, Nasser recorded 100 pitches en route to a one hit performance over seven dominant innings against a previously undefeated St. Paul's team in a 9-2 win for Andover Softball.

"Once I got in the groove, I just felt good and was trying to have a good time," said Nasser.

Andover's offense came alive, throwing up nine runs in support of Nasser, who struck out nine. Nasser continued, "I think it was really the change in speed that worked well. I threw a lot of changeups, and they just didn't seem to adjust."

Nasser's spectacular performance was slightly marred by St. Paul's only hit of the day, a two-run homer in the sixth inning that robbed her of a shutout.

Victoria Bergeron '16 was also a force to be reckoned with. She added three hits of her own to the balanced offensive attack, plating Nasser and chipping in with strong play at shortstop.

Bergeron's display on Thursday was consistent with the last few games, as she has established herself as an offensive leader. The Thursday matchup was her second multi-hit game in a row. "Initially, I was getting underneath the ball a lot, and it was super frustrating," said Bergeron. "I've been working with Coach [Sarah] Boylan a lot on not dropping my hands and bringing them directly to the ball. It feels good that the hard work in practice is paying off and translating in games."

Andover's offense came from everywhere. Jen Kaplan '15 added two hits of her own, as did EJ Kim '15, one of which was a slap single that sparked a seven-run third inning. Catcher Erica Shin '16 ripped an RBI double, and outfielder Antonia Tammaro '17 poked a two run single.

Despite the sparkling performance Thursday, Andover entered into the weekend flat and fell short, dropping a double header to North Reading High School.

"No one was hustling or talking; it was just ugly," said Nasser, who toed the rubber for the first game.

She turned in another fine start, striking out 13 batters and walking one, but was stuck with a tough 3-2 loss, the product of shoddy defense and a lack of offensive support. Andover compounded the loss in second game, getting off to a sluggish start as North Reading tacked on five runs in the first, aided by two Andover errors. Kaplan pitched grittily, battling North Reading and giving up many unearned runs, but her effort wasn't enough. Andover fell 10-0 by way of the mercy rule, ending the weekend on a sour note.

Nasser said, "We are going to have to work ridiculously hard. We are a young team, and we are going to have to improve quickly and play scrappy to get some 'W's." 4/24/14

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Madi Bradford '17 lunges to get a grasp on in t he live ball.

Girls Fall 2-1 in Three Scrimmages

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
North Reading	11
Andover	1
North Reading	4
Andover	3
North Reading	0

Mother nature did not cooperate this week, as Andover Girls Softball's games — one against Tabor, one against BB&N and two against Phillips Exeter Academy on Saturday and Wednesday, respectively — were rained out.

On Thursday, the team renewed its rivalry against North Reading High School in its third meeting of the regular season and sixth overall, including three pre-season games in Florida.

In three separate two-inning scrimmages, Andover lost 11-2 and 4-1 and won 3-0.

Victoria Bergeron '16 and Jen Kaplan '15 added multi-hit games to the effort, but Andover's offense overall failed to produce runs, and was outscored by a combined 15-6 over six innings.

Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 pitched well, throwing a shutout in the third game to converted catcher Bergeron.

On the transition to catcher, Bergeron said, "The other catchers have been really helpful by teaching me the fundamentals. It's definitely a work in progress, but, each day that I catch, I gain confidence and am excited to see what the rest of the season holds."

The team will face off against Worcester at a home game on this Saturday.

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Jen Kaplan '15 added multiple hits over six innings. 5/24/14

Three Games Three Wins

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
Worcester	0
Andover	3
Exeter	1
Andover	9
BB&N	7

With the bases loaded and Andover desperately in need of momentum, Head Coach Peter Drench summoned Mackenzie Bradford '15 to the plate as a designated hitter in Andover Girls Softball's game against BB&N on Wednesday.

Bradford quickly capitalized on her opportunity, ripping a first-pitch fastball over the center fielder's head to clear the bases for a three-run double. Andover went ahead 7-6.

"I just wanted to help my team. I came to the plate thinking that I needed to get my job done, and I did," said Bradford, who had 5 RBIS.

Andover held to defeat BB&N 9-7.

The win against BB&N was Andover's third of the week after a rocky start to the season.

On Saturday, Andover squared off against Worcester Academy at Isham Field. Up 1-0 in the second inning, Andover broke the game wide-open with a pair of doubles from Madi Bradford '17 and Jen Kaplan '15 to kick off a six-run inning. Nasser struck out nine, pitched a complete game and smacked three hits en route to a 8-0 win.

On Monday, Andover defeated rival Phillips Exeter Academy 3-1 behind a strong start from Nasser. Co-Captain Kasey Hartung's '14 RBIs were crucial to Andover's offense. The game was close through all seven innings, with both teams battling in the box for a hit. Nasser successfully closed the game, preventing Exeter from scoring even though the bases were loaded in the sixth inning.

"Overall, everything is really coming together. A lot of people are stepping up and making key plays when we need them. It's not just one person going out there and getting us wins; it's all 17 of us," said Victoria Bergeron '16.

Andover will look to continue its three-game winning streak against Lawrence Academy on Friday.

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Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 struck out nine, pitched a complete game and smacked three hits en route to an 8-0 Andover win over Worcester.

SOFTBALL

Girls Put Up Fight for First

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

This is Katie Kreider '14's first and final year on the team.

By Sam Zager
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
BB&N	1
Andover	0
Noble & Greenough	1

Co-Captain Ravenne Nasser '15 gave up no earned runs, and number one seed Nobles & Greenough's only run came on an error in the seventh inning of the semifinal game of the Big East Championships on Sunday.

The tournament was changed to single elimination due to weather conditions.

Andover, the three-time defending champion, was the fifth seed out of eight teams this year.

Riding the momentum of a five-game winning streak which included a victory against BB&N, Andover defeated fourth-seeded BB&N 10-1 in the tournament's first game.

"We came out in warmups with a lot of intensity and focus, and that really translated into a great game both defensively and offensively," said shortstop Victoria Bergeron '16. "We hit the ball well and all around just played like we wanted to win."

Nasser toed the rubber for Andover with seven innings and five strikeouts. In the third inning, Nasser laced a home run over the left field wall to put Andover up 2-0. With momentum on its back, Andover unleashed its offensive prowess against BB&N.

Andover added a run in the fifth on a double steal from Sidney Holder '16 to increase its lead to three. In the sixth, Andover racked up a five-run frame on just two hits. The team took advantage of numerous BB&N walks and errors.

With its win against BB&N, Andover moved on to its semifinal game against Nobles. Despite putting runners in scoring position for each of the first three innings, Andover was unable to produce runs.

"We played them really tough. It was probably one of our defensive games. They had a good pitcher and we didn't make adjustments quick enough to score runs," said Nasser.

Nasser continued to labor on the mound, allowing only two hits and striking out three in 6.1 innings. A single Nobles runner did not advance past first until the seventh inning.

In the seventh, back-to-back walks from Nasser put the winning run in scoring position.

A Nobles' batter hit a weak grounder to second, but a high throw sailed into foul territory, allowing Nobles' runner to score and give Nobles a 1-0 victory.

"Honestly I think [this game] shows that we have the ability to compete with every team in the league," said Bergeron, "as long as we keep our focus for seven innings."

Nobles, undefeated in the season to that point, ended up losing 4-1 in the championship to Tabor.

With only two graduating Seniors this year, expect Andover to return next year — with a vengeance.

Andover hopes to finish with a victory over archrival Exeter this Saturday.

5/23/14

Sport: Boys Tennis

Year: 2014

Captain: Henry Kalb & James Heaney

Coach: Greg Wilkin

SEASON RECORD

WON 13 LOST 3 TIED 0

New England Champions

LETTER WINNERS

Heaney, James
Huang, Michael
Jow, Jonathan
Kalb, Henry
King-Nakaoka, Elana
Kornegay, Kai
Kralik, Christopher
Shen, Tyler
Wang, Daniel
Way, William

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Varsity Tennis
2014 Rosters

Boys A

Name	Year	Hometown
Heaney, James*	2014	New Canaan, CT
Huang, Michael	2015	Wildwood, MO
Jow, Jonathan	2016	Irvine, CA
Kalb, Henry*	2014	Greenwich, CT
Kralik, Christopher	2016	Shanghai, CHN
Shen, Tyler	2017	Brookville, NY
Wang, Daniel	2014	West Windsor, NJ
Way, William	2017	Paget, BMU

**Captains*

Coach: Greg Wilkin
Managers: Elana King-Nakaoka '14, Kai Kornegay '14

Girls A

Name	Year	Hometown
Danovitch, Larissa	2016	New York, NY
Haegg, Isabella	2016	Weston, MA
Howe, Elizabeth*	2014	New York, NY
Mayhew, Madeleine	2015	New York, NY
Park, Sewon	2017	Hong Kong
Posorske, Reagan	2017	Cave Creek, AZ
Price, Camille*	2015	New York, NY
Tobeason, Katherine	2014	Bedford Hills, NY

**Captains*

Coach: Deb Chase

Boys Tennis Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 13/3/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/2 @ 3:30 PM	B. B. & N.	H	Game	W 4-3
4/6 @ 3:30 PM	Taft	H	Game	W 4-3
4/9 @ 2:30 PM	Millfield	H	Scrimmage	1-6
4/11 @ 4:45 PM	Middlesex		Game	W 6-2
4/18 @ 4:45 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	W 5-2
4/19 @ 11:30 AM	Deerfield	H	Game	L 3-4
4/26 @ 12:00 PM	New England--Mid-Atlantic Tournament		Tournament	4th Place
4/30 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter		Game	L 3-4
5/5 @ 4:30 PM	St. Paul's		Game	W 4-2
5/7 @ 3:15 PM	Dexter Southfield School	H	Game	W 6-0
5/10 @ 3:00 PM	Choate		Game	W 4-0
5/12 @ 5:00 PM	Groton	H	Game	W 6-0
5/15 @ 3:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Scrimmage	W7-0
5/17 @ 9:30 AM	NEITA Tournament Milton Q Final Exeter Finals		Tournament	W 4-0; 4-0
5/18 @ 11:30 AM	NEITA Tournament		Tournament	W NE CHAMPS!
5/21 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 6-1
5/24 @ 9:00 PM	NEPSITT Tournament		Tournament	

B. B. & N. 4/2/2014
Home Match 4-3
Andover Begins Season on High Note
The Boys Varsity Tennis season officially began on the first truly playable day of the putative spring, and two teams that had done recent preparations indoors made their appearance on the upper varsity courts, visiting BB&N and host Andover, players and coaches looking a little squinty-eyed and incredulous during intros, like the released prisoners at the end of *Fidelio*. Freedom from constraint was fittingly the principle of play, if any, in the early doubles action, the Big Blue second and third doubles teams of Huang/Kalb and Wang/Way whanging away with forehand returns, seeming invested in a friendly competition about who could make the loudest racket-on-ball racket irrespective of directionality, as often as not challenging the surprised but frequently grateful partners-at-net from Cambridge. Rather like starting a baseball game by plunking the first four batters with your hardest fastball, it was an undertaking in equal parts impressive, bizarre, and unpromising. Opportunistic play on court one from Chris Kralik and James Heaney, some wise adjustments in approach on courts two and three, and the doubles point went to Andover. Crucial singles wins came from Chris at one against Zach Lovett (6-1, 6-2), James at two against Adam Carlson (6-1, 6-0) and Henry Kalb at four against Tristan Young (6-1, 6-2), very welcome results, since William Way at six encountered another fine ninth-grader at the top of his game in Carter Liou, coming out on the short end 6-2, 6-1, the first off in singles. BB&N's Gary Rasin at fifth singles against Dan Wang and their lefty Oliver Kendall at three fought off late charges (6-4, 6-3 and 6-0, 7-5), Michael catching fire too late. Jonathan Jow at the seventh spot did a superb exhibition-match job with senior Justin Flaumenhaft, 6-1, 6-0 on the windswept end court, forbearing mercifully to break into the baritone solo "Wie kalt ist es."

Doubles
Kralik/Heaney (A) defeated Kendall/Lovett, 8-2
Huang/Kalb (A) defeated Carlson/Young, 8-2
Wang/Way (A) inconcl. vs. Rasin/Liou
Singles
Chris Kralik (A) defeated Zach Lovett, 6-1, 6-2
James Heaney (A) defeated Adam Carlson, 6-1, 6-0
Michael Huang (A) lost to Oliver Kendall 6-0, 7-5
Henry Kalb (A) defeated Tristan Young, 6-1, 6-2
Dan Wang (A) lost to Gary Rasin, 6-4, 6-3
William Way (A) lost to Carter Liou, 6-2, 6-1
Jonathan Jow (A) defeated Justin Flaumenhaft, 6-1, 6-0

Taft 4/6/2014
Home Match 4-3
Big wins for Heaney, Huang, Kalb and Way
Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Taft School
April 5, 2014 at home
It was a special day for Andover tennis, a gathering of former players, friends and parents having been convened in honor of Mark Adamsson,'11, before the match against perennial Founders League power, Taft. Inspired by memories recounted about their two-time captain and friend, and fortified by a lavish lunch supplied by Peter Heidrich's mom, the Blue benefited not only from the advice of their three-man coaching staff and their current co-captains, Henry Kalb and James Heaney, but also from the encouragement of three visiting former team captains, Trey Meyer ('09), Alasdair McClintic ('13)and Peter Heidrich ('11), who joined Michael Kontaxis ('11), Trey Jennings ('12) and Myles O'Neill ('12), hitting with the boys and each other before the match. With that kind of support, it was no huge surprise that the Blue were able to dig deep against a very sound Taft contingent and pull out a good victory despite the loss of the doubles point, the result of two close tie-breakers at one and two dubs. William Way and Jonathan Jow had made pretty quick work of Griffin Conner and Jacques Pellet at third doubles, and both kept that momentum rolling in singles, with William beating Conner 6-4, 6-0 and Jonathan taking his first set against Pellet 6-2. Our kind, faithful visitors and friends huddled every which way they could in the increasing wind but were unflagging in their support for Andover. James had a spirited foe at second singles in your man Boyle, the Celtic vox clamantis, but played the kind of scrambling defense he was always known for in his underclassman days, a fitting throwback strategy, considering not only the occasionally howling wind but also the stylish retro team shirts the kindly alums supplied for the team in Mark's honor. Henry reported later how tired he was, fighting the wind and cold, but you

couldn't tell it in his second set, where he really blitzed Johnston after a tight-as-could-be tiebreaker. That was the match, because Michael Huang had taken Mulroy in straight sets, artfully contriving baffling arrhythmias in his ball-striking, like the puckish, crowd-pleasing misfit character in The Blue Man Group. (OK, I'm just making that up; I've never seen the Blue Man Group. I don't even know if it's BlueMan Group or Blue ManGroup, and I have no idea if they have a puckish, arrhythmic, crowd-pleasing character, but nothing seems more likely to me than that they do. We certainly do.) All that remained was for the matches at six and one to finish, and the long battles between Chris Kralik and Raymond Kanyo (quite a few over thirty shots in length, none of them trivial) did just after Jonathan and Monsieur Pellet, having split, virtually split their tiebreaker, which went 8-6 to Taft. Our fervent thanks to Mike Kuta, who watched over our complicated proceedings all day and had lots of problem-solving ideas, Geraldine Robarge and her crew, who made, set up and broke down our feast, and all our long-suffering friends, parents and generous alumni donor-supporters. It's pretty outrageous that such fun could be had on such a cold, windy day, and they made it possible, along with our worthy foes from Watertown. (The best thing all day? The Big Blue team chant after the intros, a strong, deep, clear surprise under the big tree in whose complicated light and shade he played some of his greatest points: "One, Two, Three....MARK!")
Doubles
1. Kralik/Heaney vs. Kanyo/Boyle, L 8-9 (5-7)
2. Huang/Kalb vs. Mulroy/Johnston L 8-9 (4-7)
3. Way/Jow vs. Conner/Pellet W 8-3
Singles
1. Christopher Kralik, '16 vs. Raymond Kanyo, '14 L (5-7, 3-6)
2. James Heaney, '14 vs. Cortland Boyle, '16 W (6-4, 6-4)
3. Michael Huang, '15 vs. Mike Mulroy, '15 W (6-4, 6-4)
4. Henry Kalb, '14 vs. George Johnston, '15 W (7-6 (6), 6-3)
5. William Way, '17 vs. Griffin Conner, '15 W (6-4, 6-0)
6. Jonathan Jow, '16 vs. Jacques Pellet, '17 L (7-6 (6), 6-3)
7. Tyler Shen, '17 vs. James Darling, '17 W (6-4, 7-5)]

Millfield 4/9/2014
Home Scrimmage 1-6
British Tour Earns Another Win
Andover lost in a scrimmage with Millfield School, England, 6-1
April 9, 2014 at home
It was a pleasure to host our new friends from the Millfield School in Somerset, England, led by coach Joe Dewhurst, as they continued their barn-storming scrimmage-campaign through the Boston area. Even though we don't have a full-size tennis barn, we were lucky enough not to have a storm, chilly and windy though it was, and we played a lot of tennis, doubles first. Millfield play (don't the Brits use plurals for their singular teams? yet another attempt to meet our visitors halfway) in a mens' doubles league back home, and the lads in red came in behind everything, even when it had the look of gamely diving on grenades. Andover's largely defensive strategies almost worked, but Millfield went out to a point advantage as singles began. Our visitors had presented us with a beautiful plaque, showing the Millfield crest, a four-bladed windmill on a field vert, crosslets (looking like stars) quarterly, one of them quite big. In singles, there were, in fact, at least four crosses for Andover to bear, all of them looking like stars, one of them quite big, Luke Hammond, a 6' 4" 15-year-old ranked number five in Great Britain, whose one-handed backhands, even under the duress Chris Kralik successfully brought to bear, were nearly as fast and accurate as his first serves, themselves quite formidable. James Heaney, seeming to be inspired by the Millfield motto, "molire molendo," which their scholars rendered with a twinkle in the eye as "to succeed by grinding," played brilliantly to take down the talented, hard-hitting, hard-charging Millfield number two, Nick Brookes. Henry Kalb and Jonathan Jow both split with their opponents, and both narrowly lost super-tiebreakers. Good values.
Doubles
1. Kralik/Heaney lost to Hammond/Hussey, 8-4
2. Huang/Kalb defeated Darrington/Kim, 8-6
3. Jow/Shen lost to Prestwich/Phipps, 8-5
Singles
1. Chris Kralik lost to Luke Hammond, 0-6 2-6
2. James Heaney defeated Nick Brookes, 7-5 5-2 (ret.)
3. Michael Huang lost to Giles Hussey, 2-6 1-6
4. Henry Kalb lost to Max Darrington, 6-3, 1-6, 7-10
5. William Way lost to Harry Phipps 2-6 0-6

6. Jonathan Jow lost to Timothy Kiehl, 2-6 6-4 9-11
7. Tyler Shen lost to Max Prestwich, 3-8
Tyler Shen lost to Alexandr Kim, 4-8]

Middlesex 4/11/2014
Away Match 6-2
Boys Tennis Over Middlesex
Andover Boys Varsity A def. Middlesex, 6-2
April 11, 2014 at Middlesex, indoors
A light rain arriving just as we began warm-ups, Middlesex was good enough to invite us indoors for a match comprising three eight-game doubles sets, e ach counting for points, and six six-game-single-set singles matches. Middlesex was playing without senior number one Peter Beatty and Andover without seniors Henry Kalb and Dan Wang. William Way fought hard against capable Middlesex senior John Luke Tittmann, but lost in a slugfest 6-4, the only loss in singles.
Doubles
James Heaney/Chris Kralik def. David Fan/John Luke Tittmann, 8-4.
Michael Huang/William Way def. John Lathrop/Chase Parisi, 8-3.
Jonathan Jow/Tyler Shen lost to Ben Painter/Tim Wing, 5-8.
Singles
Chris Kralik def. David Fan, 6-1.
James Heaney def. John Lathrop, 6-1.
Michael Huang def. Chase Parisi, 6-3.
William Way lost to John Luke Tittmann, 4-6.
Jonathan Jow def. Tim Wing, 6-3.
Tyler Shen vs. Will Painter, 3-3.
Coaches: Greg Wilkin, Will Speer

Noble & Greenough 4/18/2014
Home Match 5-2
Good Doubles Key in Win
Yet another really good match with a good, deep team: Chris Burr's Nobles doubles pairs all showed fine volleying skills and kept on coming, requiring our boys to hit very accurate passes or lobs before coming to net if they wanted to win, which of course they did, and did, and did (i.e. which they did so want and did so do, on all three courts). Doubles point in hand, our singles players all started out aggressively, Chris Kralik playing some of his most forceful and accurate tennis of the season in a beautiful bagel set before succumbing to back pain and the insistent athleticism of Will Samuels in a match settled by a super-tiebreaker. Will Way weathered the big forehands of his veteran opponent, winning in straight sets just after James found a way to solve the all-court threat of young Maroni. Henry's strong play against Holding clinched the match for Andover, making it possible for Michael and Winfred Li to decide their split sets with a simple, tense seven-point tiebreaker, won by Michael with an assortment of shots that Mansour Bahrami would have been proud of.
Doubles
1. James Heaney/Chris Kralik defeated Will Samuels/Will Holding, 8-3
2. Michael Huang/Henry Kalb defeated Jack Maroni/Winfred Li, 8-3
3. William Way/Daniel Wang inconcl. vs. Armen Festekjian/Kunal Gupta, 6-5
Singles
1. Chris Kralik, (A '17) lost to Will Samuels (NG '14), 6-0, 2-6 (6-10)
2. James Heaney (A '14) defeated Jack Maroni (NG '17), 6-2, 6-3.
3. Michael Huang (A '15) defeated Winfred Li (NG '16), 6-3, 4-6 (7-5)
4. Henry Kalb (A '14) defeated Will Holding (NG '15), 7-6, 6-2.
5. William Way (A '17) defeated Armen Festekjian (NG '15), 6-1, 6-2.
6. Daniel Wang (A '14) lost to Seth Gluzman (NG '16), 3-6, 1-6.

Deerfield 4/19/2014
Home Match 3-4
Deerfield Wins Close One
Singles played first

Singles
1. James Heaney vs. Gil Roddy, L 6-2, 6-4
2. Michael Huang vs. Cole Horton, W 6-7, 6-0 (10-5)
3. Henry Kalb vs. Luc Therrien, W 5-7, 7-6 (5), (10-6)
4. William Way vs. Jackson Watson, W 6-1, 6-1
5. Jonathan Jow vs. Darren Ho, L 6-7 (5), 6-7 (6)
6. Tyler Shen vs. Scott Danforth, L 6-2, 6-4
Doubles
1. James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs. Gil Roddy/Jackson Watson L 8-6
2. Michael Huang/Henry Kalb vs. Luc Therrien/Cole Horton, W 8-5
3. Jonathan Jow/William Way vs. Scott Danforth/Darren Ho, L 8-3
Coaches: Greg Wilkin, Will Speer, Trey Meyer
Deerfield: Jay Morsman, Peter Hines
Singles were contested first on this day since ensuing girls matches would otherwise have been delayed. These were all good battles, even though Andover's number one, Chris Kralik, was sidelined with a sore back and Senior Dan Wang was unavailable at six with a sore arm. James Heaney stepped up against the large game of Gil Roddy, as we knew he would, and fought hard before going down in the see-saw second, 6-4. By this time, William Way had toppled Watson with hard forehands and some bold forays to the net. The wind gusted at times, but Henry kept pounding against the steady retrieves of Therrien, and Michael, after losing a first-set tiebreak, heard some tactical advice from Assistant Coach Trey Meyer that helped him turn it around and take the second set 6-0 and the super-tiebreaker 10-5, creating a tie after singles, Jonathan coming very close in his match but falling just short of a breakthrough into a match tie-breaker of his own. Seeing his team tied, Chris applied for and was granted medical clearance to give a doubles pro-set a try, and he and James almost pulled it off against the team of Roddy and Watson, whose serving came alive as the winds died. Huang and Kalb played great against Therrien/Horton, but Danforth/Ho played too tough at third doubles. A great day of fun tennis.

Exeter 4/30/2014
Away Match 3-4
PEA Earns Comeback Victory
Andover vs. Exeter, April 30, 2014 at Exeter
Doubles
1. (A) James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs. (E) Moyses Escobar/Nikhil Raman, W 8-3
2. (A) Henry Kalb/Michael Huang vs. (E) Cameron Gruss/Brian Niguidula, W 8-4
3. (A) William Way/Daniel Wang vs. (E) Rex Tercek/Charlie Boyd, unfinished.
Singles
1. (A) Heaney beat Escobar, 4-6, 6-3, 10-4.
2. Niguidula beat (A) Kralik, 7-5, 0-6, 10-6.
3. (A) Huang beat Raman, 6-4, 6-1.
4. Gruss beat (A) Way, 4-6, 7-6 (4), 10-7.
5. Joon Kim beat (A) Wang, 1-6, 7-5, 10-6.
6. Tercek beat (A) Tyler Shen, 7-5, 6-4.
Coaches: (A) Greg Wilkin, Will Speer
(E) Fred Brussel
Match highlights from Coach Speer:
James refused to lose at number one, his anger after the first set giving way to steely resolve. On match point, he lured [Moyses Escobar] into net, who hit a nice volley to force a weak lob from James, which the Exeter number-one spiked, eliciting cheers from the crowd. However, James used the spacious backcourt to run down the ball, throw up another lob, and win the point a few shots later. Chris came alive in the second and bageled [Brian Niguidula], but came up a few shots short in the super breaker. Michael settled in during his second set, forcing [Nikhil Raman] to play into his strategy, and was the first off in singles. Dan was on fire his first set; he couldn't miss! Unfortunately [Joon Kim] adjusted and Dan couldn't counter-adjust. Tyler hung in there against the big flat groundies of Rex Tercek, and was actually up a break in the second before succumbing. James' win in the penultimate match left it all up to Will, who was up a set and 5-2 before his opponent's much improved play turned things around, first in a second set tiebreak and then in the match tiebreak.

St. Paul's 5/5/2014
Away Match 4-2
Boys in Blue Win in Concord
Andover visited St. Paul's School on Monday afternoon, May 5th, and came away with a 4-2 win, with James Heaney fighting off George Congdon to keep the match, mercifully, from going into doubles, which has been a particular strength for St. Paul's. Congdon's volley game was sometimes quite spectacular, but James was his usual inexorable self and came through in fine form in a well-played super-tiebreaker. Michael Huang, playing second with Chris Kralik sidelined, did not have his usual energy, and Dan Wang at five could not close out his long match with Bai, having come back strong in the second set. Well-conceived, clean matches from Henry, Will and Jonathan made a huge difference. A closely-contested team match, doubles foregone, homework, eventually, completed.
SINGLES
James Heaney beat George Congdon '15, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 13-11
Michael Huang lost to Jeffrey Bai '14, 6-1, 6-4
Henry Kalb beat Harry Song, '14, 6-2, 6-3
William Way beat Seon Joong Kim, '14, 6-1, 6-2
Dan Wang vs. Alexander Nassar, '14, 6-4, 3-6, 10-4.
Jonathan Jow beat Kris Eiamsakulrat, 6-0, 6-0

Dexter Southfield School 5/7/2014
Home Match 6-0
Blue Tennis Hitting Stride
In terrific conditions, Andover hosted Dexter on Wednesday, a Class A power for the last few years, and played forecful tennis against what is this year a young team. James was almost perfect against the dangerous Dexter number one, mixing his shots and making very few errors. Dan Wang at six, in the final match of the day, competed very well despite arm soreness. We elected to forego the doubles because difficult traffic had made for a late start.
SINGLES
James Heaney vs.Will Conigliaro 11, 6-0, 6-1
Christopher Kralik vs. Harris Bert 11, 6-1, 6-1
Michael Huang vs. Giles Carr-Locke 11, 6-1, 6-1
Henry Kalb vs. Nick Bridgeman 10, 6-1, 6-1
William Way vs.Keaton Beams 11, 6-0, 6-0
Dan Wang vs. Zach Baker 9, 6-3, 6-2

Choate 5/10/2014
Away Match 4-0
Heaney/Kralik Doubles Pair Lead the Way
Doubles
James Heaney/Chris Kralik beat Brandon Rosenbluth/Alex Newhouse, 8-5
Michael Huang/William Way beat Jeremy Reikes/Rashad Saleh, 9-7
Jonathan Jow/Tyler Shen lost to Brandon Barrett/Shane Phillipps, 8-5
Singles
James Heaney led Rosenbluth '15, 6-1,5-2, 30-0.
Chris Kralik beat Newhouse, '14, 6-0, 6-4
Michael Huang vs. Saleh, '15, unnecessary
Henry Kalb beat Reikes, '14, 6-3, 6-4
William Way beat Barrett, '14, 6-0, 7-5
Jonathan Jow led Zain Dhanani '14, 7-6, 5-7, 4-2
Warm weather in Wallingford was welcome for a while, and roughly half of the doubles was played on the Hunt courts before the temperature and humidity produced thunder, lightning and, soon enough, heavy rain, driving us inside to the Choate gym's three courts, where Michael and William fought hard to take a closely contested deciding pro-set at second doubles. We played the 2, 4 and 6 singles matches first. Chris played impeccably against Alex Newhouse, as did Henry against Jeremy Reikes while Jonathan Jow played to exhaustion in a long first-set tiebreak won against the speedy Canadian senior, Zain Dhanani, who came back in another long set, despite Jonathan's best efforts. Taking some nourishment, Jonathan felt his strength and stamina returning, and he fought his way to a 4-2 lead in the third. By this time, Will Way had taken Chris's vacated court and vanquished the smoothly stylish lefty Brandon Barrett, who had begun to assert himself more dangerously in the second set. Matches at one and six were called, and Michael's didn't get started, since the team outcome was determined. We would like to thank

Coach Ned Gallagher and the Choate staff for help in getting these good matches onto court and our parents, grandparents, siblings (no less than our assistant coaches Will and Trey) for making the trip and supporting the team so well.

Groton 5/12/2014
Home Match 6-0
Doubles Comebacks Highlight Victory

In a late-afternoon Monday match, Andover took on Groton, undefeated in the ISL, and came away with a satisfying win, spiced up by two zesty comebacks in doubles. Mike Huang and Jonathan Jow, taking the AP physics exam, were late to the doubles portion of the match, forcing Henry and William to improvise at two. They rather quickly went down 7-1 in their eight-game set against You and Girian while Dan and Tyler also took some time to get on the same page, down 5-2. But both teams stormed back from the brink to take leads they would not relinquish. Singles play for Andover was very strong against good opponents.
Doubles
James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs. 1/2, W 8-4
Henry Kalb/William Way vs. 3/4, leading 8-7
/Dan Wang/Tyler Shen vs. 5/6, 9-7
Singles
James Heaney vs. Macgregor Beatty, 6-1, 6-1
Chris Kralik vs. Charles Oberrender, 6-2, 6-0
Michael Huang vs. Michael You, 3-6, 5-6, unfinished
Henry Kalb vs. Sam Girian, 6-2, 6-3
William Way vs. David Howe, 6-0, 6-1
Jonathan Jow vs. Peter White, 6-0, 6-1

Andover HS 5/15/2014
Home Match 7-0 Scrimmage
PA and Andover Celebrate Great Rivalry/Partnership
PA brings down cross-town rival: Phillips 7, AHS 0
Doubles:
James Heaney/Chris Kralik def. Andrew Imrie/Varun Penamatsa, 8-3
Michael Huang/Henry Kalb def. Aaron Edelman/Kellen McAuliffe, 8-3
Jonathan Jow/William Way def. Arun Padykula/Arman Rafiee, 8-0
Singles:
Heaney def. Imrie, 8-3
Kralik def. Penamatsa, 8-2
Huang def. Drew Rooks, 8-4
Kalb def. Padykula, 8-0
Way def. Edelman, 8-5
Jow def. McAuliffe, 8-1
Assistant Coach Will Speer's highlights:
A warm and sunny Thursday greeted us as the top two high schools in town met for a scrimmage, both teams seeking a tuneup for their respective postseason tournaments. With both teams' respective B squads squaring off as well, all twelve courts were utilized, and the sounds of balls on rackets echoed throughout Siberia. Doubles went on first, and the visitors were forced to improvise as they adjusted to our 6-and-3 allocation of matches. The PA teams' familiarity with each other paid off on all three courts, although the team of Imrie and Penamatsa fought long and hard, the last to come off by a good margin.
Singles went on next, and was limited to eight-game pro sets in the interest of time. At 1, James had a worthy foe in the Warriors' Andrew Imrie, a talented freshman with a big serve-and-volley game. The match outlasted nearly all the others, and although James' experience prevailed in the end, Imrie will certainly be a formidable figure in the years to come. PA also found success in the fourth and sixth singles spots, where both Henry and Jonathan pounded forehands and kept their feet on the gas, finishing in short order. Edelman made a run midway through his match with Will, but the freshman remained cool under pressure and closed out the match 8-5. Chris' win over the hard-hitting lefty Penamatsa (whose start was slightly delayed due to poor court allocation by the rookie assistant coach) left Michael and Rooks alone on the court, trading groundstrokes as the sun began to set. With an audience consisting of both teams, a handful of PA spectators, and a group of Andover High parents, our trick-shot artist put on a bit of a show,

one "tweener" nearly finding a way over the net. The match wrapped up around 5:30, and the scores do little justice to the quality of tennis played today. Thanks to our friends down the road for making the short trip.

NEITA Tournament 5/18/2014
Away Tournament Taft School NE Champs
Two in a Row and Three out of Last Four Years
Andover vs Hotchkiss, NEITA finals at Taft, 5/16/2014, won by Andover, 4-1
Arriving in Watertown, we congratulated Hotchkiss on their semifinal upset win over Taft, who had beaten them earlier in the season, but it didn't take long for matters to get serious, as we faced tough doubles foes right away in Thornton/Holmes, Kennedy/Eberth and DeSouza/Kagan. Young Thornton's brazen forehands were quite convincing at one, and the tall lefty-righty combo of Kennedy/Eberth closed quite well enough to undo the best efforts of Michael and Henry, which included what could have been the shot of the tournament, a skimming step-over by Michael on a mid-court touch volley that got behind him. All that Andover effort not really withstanding, we found ourselves down a point as singles started, but were reminded by Henry in a spirited huddle that last year we hadn't needed the doubles point to win against the same team. Of course it wasn't exactly the same team, augmented notably by scions of two well-known Hotchkiss tennis families. Andover's James Heaney had to be completely on his game to blunt the hard-driving of Elliott Thornton, but he was, and did, one and love, while Chris found some interesting ways to deal with the smooth net rushes of lanky Alex Kennedy, son of the brilliant former Hotchkiss/Yale number one, Craig, with whom Coach Wilkin had a wonderful time catching up on the sideline.
These two brilliant wins brought Andover some breathing room, but Hotchkiss had come from behind any number of times this season and Coach Markey has a deep team, even without the services of world-class senior Fedor Andrienko. It was a relief, then, when William Way fought off the dangerous DeSouza in a dramatic first-set tiebreaker after Henry, Michael and Jonathan each went up a set. Jonathan closing out Shields in a close second set, Hotchkiss needed to win all three of the remaining matches and Henry's final combination of big forehands against Kagan made sure that didn't happen. We want to thank the Paresky staff for getting up early both days to get us fed before the trips, Mike Kuta, Karen Kennedy and the Athletic department staff for fine-tuning arrangements, Baptiste Battaille of Taft for hosting on a Sunday, the Heaneys for a very generous lunch on Saturday, the Kennedy clan of Hotchkiss for their gracious collegiality, and Trey Meyer and Will Speer for their great coaching and willingness to saddle up for the sake of the boys. Our thanks, too, to Coach Ned of Choate, who organizes the NEITA, and of course our congratulations to Hotchkiss for their remarkable successes in the tournament.
Doubles
1 James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs Thornton/Holmes, 6-8
2 Michael Huang/Henry Kalb vs. Kennedy/Luke Eberth, 6-8
3 William Way/Jonathan Jow vs. DeSouza/Kagan, 8-8, 4-4
Singles
1 James Heaney vs. Elliott Thornton, W 6-1, 6-0
2 Chris Kralik vs. Alexander Kennedy, W 6-1, 6-2
3 Michael Huang vs Austin Holmes, 6-3, 0-6, 2-2
4 Henry Kalb vs. Tristan Kagan, W 6-3, 3-6, 6-1
5 William Way vs Daniel DeSouza, 7-6 (6), 4-4
6 Jonathan Jow vs Peter Shields, W 6-1, 7-6 (4)

NEITA Tournament 5/17/2014
Away Tournament Milton - Andover vs Milton, quarterfinals of NEITA, Andover wins 4-0 / Andover vs Exeter, semifinals of NEITA, Andover wins 4-0
Great Tournament Start for Boys Varsity Tennis
Andover vs Milton, quarterfinals of NEITA, at Milton
Andover won, 4-0
Invited to take part in the eastern draw of the New England Class A Team Tournament, the Andover boys team faced Milton in the first round at Milton and won, 4-0 before taking on Exeter in the afternoon, winners against Deerfield in the other quarterfinal. Andover went on to win that match 4-0 to gain the final to be played at Taft Sunday against western finalist Hotchkiss.
Doubles

James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs Bart Panarese, Alex Lee, W 9-7
Michael Huang/Henry Kalb vs. Chris McDonough, Alex Vivado, leading 7-6
William Way/Jonathan Jow vs. Andy Hahm, Noah Cheng, W 8-1
Singles
James Heaney vs Bart Panarese, leading 3-6, 7-6 (0), 2-1
Chris Kralik vs Chris McDonough, leading 6-7 (5), 7-5, 5-1, 15-0
Michael Huang vs Alex Vivado, W 6-1, 6-1
Henry Kalb vs. Andy Hahm, leading 6-1, 5-1
William Way vs. Alex Lee, W 7-6, 6-3
Jonathan Jow vs. Noah Cheng, W 6-4, 6-3
Coaches: Greg Wilkin, Will Speer, Trey Meyer
Milton: Chad Bright-Reason
Andover vs Exeter, semifinals of NEITA, at Milton, May 15, 2014
Andover won 4-0
Doubles
James Heaney/Chris Kralik vs Moises Escobar/Brian Niguidul, W 8-2
Michael Huang/Henry Kalb vs.Nikhil Raman/Cam Gruss, W 8-1
William Way/Jonathan Jow vs.Rex Tercek/Charles Boyd, leading 6-5
Singles
James Heaney vs Moyses Escobar, leading 7-5, 1-1
Chris Kralik vs Brian Niguidula, W 6-2, 6-0
Michael Huang vs Nikhil Raman, leading 6-3, 3-4
Henry Kalb vs. Cameron Gruss, W 6-1, 6-1
William Way vs. Rex Tercek, leading 7-5, 3-2
Jonathan Jow vs. Nicolas Diao, W 6-2, 6-0
Coaches: Greg Wilkin, Will Speer, Trey Meyer
Exeter: Fred Brussel

Exeter 5/21/2014
Home Match 6-1
PA finishes season on a high note: Andover 6, Exeter 1
Doubles:
James Heaney/Chris Kralik (A) def. Moises Escobar/Brian Niguidula (E), 8-3
Henry Kalb/Michael Huang (A) def. Nikhil Raman/Cam Gruss (E), 8-1
Dan Wang/William Way (A) def. Rex Tercek/Charlie Boyd (E), 8-2
Singles:
Heaney (A) def. Escobar, 6-2, 7-6 (4)
Kralik (A) def. Niguidula, 6-2, 6-4
Huang (A) def. Raman, 6-3, 6-1
Kalb (A) def. Gruss, 6-1, 6-0
Tercek (E) def. Way 6-2, 6-0
Jonathan Jow (A) def. Joon Kim (E) 6-1, 6-2
Coaches: Greg Wilkin, Will Speer
Exeter: Fred Brussel
Boys tennis held its own version of Andover-Exeter day on a sunny Wednesday afternoon, with the varsity A squads looking to decide their season series (Exeter won a nail-biter on their own courts nearly a month ago, but Andover won the rematch in the New England tournament). The match marked the final fixture in the high school careers of seniors James Heaney, Henry Kalb, and Dan Wang, each of whom brought home a doubles win. The team of Henry and Michael was the first off, and the James/Chris pair finished not long after. Attention then shifted to Court 3, where Dan played his self-described "best tennis of the season," he and William closing out Rex and Charlie by a score of 8-2.
Jonathan's singles match had started along with the doubles, and so he had a head start, cracking forehands and pushing through shoulder pain to take down Joon at #6. This caps an absolutely stellar rookie season for Jow, who promises to be a bright spot in the lineup for years to come. Unfortunately, his fellow rookie William could not bring home a win at #5, as Rex kept his shots coming back faster than they came out, and Will just couldn't find a rhythm. It was nonetheless a successful season for Will, who won matches in no fewer than five different lineup spots (4, 5, and 6 singles, as well as 2 and 3 doubles), as well as the NEMA second doubles draw (with Jonathan).

Henry finished an undefeated singles season, bludgeoning his signature forehand to topple Gruss in a nearly-perfect match. Michael's second set against Nikhil was never in doubt, and at #2, Chris fought off Brian, continuing his great play from over the weekend. Fittingly, with the outcome of the match decided and the shadows growing long over the court, all eyes turned to James, locked in battle with Moises on Court 1. Escobar's booming delivery produced more second serve aces than I've seen all year, and he backed it up with a quite impressive all-court game. In the end, James was not to be denied in the final dual match of his PA career, taking the second-set tiebreaker 7-4 and putting an exclamation point on an extremely successful year.

Thanks to alumni Alasdair, Quinn, and Alec for coming out to support the team today, and to all eight of our players for an unforgettable season.

Acing the Repeat: Boys Seek to Overcome Senior Loss

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After last year's 13-2 season that culminated in a first place finish at the Class A Newgland Championships, Andover Boys Tennis will have a tough time replicating their previous success.

Andover struggled in the National High School All-American Team Tennis Tournament in Newport Beach, California on March 14 and 15, placing last in a field of 16 teams.

This was Andover's first showing in the highly competitive tournament that draws teams such as The Beacon School from New York and University High School, Irvine — two teams that have been undefeated in their league competitions since 2010 and finished in first and second place respectively at this year's tournament.

Andover, however, can find solace in the fact that it was the only New England school at the tournament.

"Most of the teams were from California, Texas and Florida, and they all had very strong outdoor games and hit the ball really well. It was an honor to be invited and compete with such talented players," said Co-Captain James Heaney '14.

After losing four seniors at the one, four, five and seven spots, Andover must look to repair the ladder and restore the depth last year's team prided itself on.

"One of the keys to winning last year was our depth. We knew that our greatest strength lay in how tough our lineup was right on down to the bottom of the ladder," said Coach Gregory Wilkin in an email to the Phillipian.

Dan Wang '14 joined the team, along with multiple underclassmen. Wang proved his strength as an addition to the team, playing fifth and bringing home a win against the Viewpoint School.

New Lower Jonathan Jow '16 and Juniors Eric Kim '17, Viraj Kumar '17, Tyler Shen '17 and William Way '17 showed a lot of potential during preseason in California as well.

"We should have some good new talent this year. They're all underclassmen, so it will be good for the team in the next couple years, especially for rebuilding after the next round of upperclassmen graduates," said Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14.

These newcomers will be anchored by a strong band of returning players. Co-Captains Kalb and Heaney, accompanied by returners Michael Huang '15 and Christopher Kralik '16, are hoping to repeat their strong 2013 showings.

"Our captains are great this year. I think Heaney has the ability to organize everything really well, and Kalb has the charisma to lead the team," said Huang, who played at the number six position last season.

This season, Wilkin will also be helped by Assistant Coaches Will Speer and Trey Meyer '09, a Captain of Varsity Tennis during his time at Andover and a three-time All-American at Williams College.

"Our trademark still seems to be strategic savviness, something we have been known for ever since our championship team in 2011," said Wilkin.

With their guidance, Boys Tennis hopes to bring home another win at New England Championships, along with a first place finish at the New England Mid-Atlantic Tournament (NEMO).

"Our experience in California is going to give us a good benchmark for Championships and NEMO, because we know the types of high level players we could potentially face. We took second place at NEMO and won the Sportsmanship Award there, and I think we can definitely take the title this year," said Heaney.

Regardless of the challenge, the team still retains high hopes to continue past success in the upcoming season.

Andover Boys Tennis takes on BB&N at home on April 2 for its first match of the season.

T.JOHST/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain James Heaney '14 was undefeated in league play last year.

J.CHEN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Christopher Kralik '16

BOYS TENNIS

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3/28/14

Crucial Doubles Point Drives Team to Victory

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
BB&N	3

Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 pounded a serve in the right-hand corner of the service box, sending his opponent flailing and closing out the match 6-1 and 6-2, the fifth victory in Andover Boys Tennis's 4-3 win over BB&N last Wednesday.

In its third day out on the home courts after an unforgiving winter, Andover made an excellent case for a repeat championship win.

The team pulled out two crucial doubles wins for the doubles point, putting it at an early 1-0 advantage.

Co-Captain James Heaney '14 and Christopher Kralik '16, who formed the number one doubles pair, won 8-4.

Kalb and Michael Huang '15 pulled away from a 2-2 stall to win 8-2 at second doubles, an event Kalb described as a true act of synergy.

Huang said, "We started off slow, but we did much better at the net as time went on. My volleys and Kalb's groundstrokes put us ahead."

"We played a passionate, mindless, hard-hitting game in the beginning, but we began to get on track with some more careful returns and unified play," said Coach Gregory Wilkin.

Dan Wang '14 and William Way '17 were up 6-5 by the time Andover secured the doubles point, so the game was not finished.

Heaney knocked out a quick 6-1, 6-0 win in singles, followed by Kralik with a 6-1, 6-2 victory. Way, playing number six for Andover, fell 6-1, 6-1, but Kalb sealed the team's victory with another 6-1, 6-2 domination.

"[Kralik and I] both had a lot of focus and used the outdoor conditions to our advantage," said Heaney.

Andover, however, cannot grow complacent, as it lost the rest of its singles matches on Courts 3, 5 and 6.

"Overall, we need to increase our consistency and play smarter," Heaney continued.

"We need to work on keeping our focus through a long match and keep practicing point-play situations. Even though we had our ups and downs, we pulled out a solid win," Kalb added.

The team will need to use its upward momentum against Taft on Saturday to avenge a narrow singles loss last season.

"We can't afford to start slow against Taft, because otherwise it will be impossible to beat them. They have beaten us almost every year in doubles, so we need to nail our doubles and build off of that in singles," said Heaney.

Wilkin also stressed the importance of solidifying the team's doubles game.

"We've been focusing on doubles in practice. I think the guys understand the fundamentals, but sometimes their emotions take over, and they don't play as strategically," he said.

Kralik added, "It will be tough against Taft, but with our lineup, I think we have a good chance."

4/4/14

O.PICCHIONE/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Christopher Kralik '16 will lead the Andover Boys Tennis ladder.

Vengeful Victory Against Taft

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Taft	3

Andover	6
Millfield	1

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Co-Captain James Heaney '14 recorded the only single win against Millfield.

Donning new team uniforms in honor of late teammate Mark Adamsson '11, Andover Boys Tennis avenged its 3-4 loss to Taft last season with a 4-3 win on Saturday.

The solid-white polos carry Adamsson's initials on the sleeve, a sharp contrast from the checkered uniforms Andover sported during last year's season.

Harsh wind conditions were prevalent as the teams took to the courts.

In the doubles games, the duo of Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 and Michael Huang '15 dug itself in a 2-5 hole on the second court. Kalb credited the poor play to a lapse of focus.

After regrouping in the middle of the set, Kalb and Huang came back to 6-5. The teams went on to battle back and forth until Taft pulled ahead to close out the match 9-8 (4).

Co-Captain James Heaney '14 and Christopher Kralik '16 also lost in a nail-biting 7-5 tie-breaker on Court 1.

"What helped Taft win in doubles is that they come to the net together. No matter what's happening or how many times they get hurt, they keep coming and driving out grenades," said Head Coach Gregory Wilkin.

A moment of hope came from the new doubles team of William Way '17 and Jonathan Jow '16, filling in for injured teammate Dan Wang '14. The pair won handily 8-3.

"We were volleying solidly and playing consistently from the baseline, so we were able to out-rally them for the win," said Way.

Using the momentum from his doubles win, Way came into his own as a new addition to the team and quickly secured a 6-4, 6-0 win in singles on Court 5, tying the score 1-1.

Heaney and Huang found trouble after taking early game-point leads in their second sets. They let their leads slip, but both closed out their matches to win 6-4.

Kalb's 7-6 (6), 6-3 win at Number 4 singles gave Andover the fourth point it needed to determine the match.

"I was just trying to find the balance between consistency and being aggressive," said Kalb.

"We are delighted that our Co-Captains came through so well in tough matches. Kalb put the pedal to the medal and finished off in a big way in a great final set. It was a close and crucial win," said Wilkin.

The long battles on Courts 1 and 6 finished after Andover's win had been determined and both ended in tight losses: 7-5, 6-3 and 7-6 (6), 6-3.

On Wednesday, Andover faced a much tougher opponent when it played Millfield, from Somerset, England.

Andover picked up two wins, one in singles and one in doubles, against the deep team.

Kalb and Huang won 8-5, thanks to constant and consistent net aggression.

Heaney was also leading his match 7-6 (6), 5-2 when his opponent retired with a crippling knee injury.

"Millfield plays in the Mens Doubles League in England, and they carry that high level into their singles, playing a very aggressive net game. This was the perfect kind of scrimmage for us to have, as we rose to the challenge against a talented team," said Wilkin.

Andover faces Middlesex Friday.

4/11/14

New Talent Boosts Team to Victory

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Middlesex	2

Andover Boys Tennis made quick work of Middlesex last Friday for a 6-2 victory. In addition to playing inside, slightly different from what the team is used to, with six single-set singles matches instead of two set matches, the team successfully compensated for the absence of key players Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 and Dan Wang '14.

Andover grabbed an early 2-1 lead with doubles wins at the Number 1 and 2 spots.

After a winning doubles performance at third doubles last week, newcomer William Way '17 moved up to the second court to replace Kalb and play with Michael Huang '15. The duo clicked and secured an 8-3 win for Andover.

Andover continued with this upward momentum in singles play, only dropping eight games total on Courts 1, 2, 3 and 5. Jonathan Jow '16 filled in for Wang at Number 5 singles, stepping up to the plate with a decisive 6-3 win that gave Andover its sixth point.

After falling 1-6 to Millfield from Somerset, England, last week, Andover will hope to utilize this newfound confidence when it takes on Nobles & Greenough at home this Friday.

J.CHEN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

William Way '17 played second doubles in the place of Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14.

4/18/14

J.CHEN/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain James Heaney '14 and Christopher Kralik '16 played first doubles.

Number One Kralik's Absence Cripples Team

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover 5
Nobles 2

Andover 6
Deerfield 3

Stepping in with his right foot and lunging to catch the ball with his backhand, Chris Kralik '16 seized up with a searing pain in his back. Just like his swing, Kralik's momentum was cut short as he struggled to play through the injury. He lost the second set 6-2 and the super-tiebreaker 10-6 after shutting out his Noble and Greenough opponent 6-0 in the first set.

The team, however, covered for Kralik's loss and went on to beat Nobles 5-2 last Friday.

Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 opened with a confident 5-0 lead, but ultimately faced a tough opponent. He came out with a 7-6 victory and quickly sealed the second set 6-2, determining the match for Andover.

"I was able to use the wind to my advantage by slicing a lot. When I took the first set, my opponent just broke down, making too many mistakes trying to be aggressive," said Kalb.

Kralik's back injury, however, forced him to sit out the team's match against Deerfield last Saturday, where his and injured Dan Wang's '14 absences were heavily felt. Andover suffered its first loss of the season 4-3, cutting its four game winning streak short.

Co-Captain James Heaney '14 filled in for Kralik at number one singles. Battling a top ten player in New England and Bowdoin tennis recruit, Heaney fell after a tight second set, 6-2 6-4.

"He's a very tough competitor and doesn't make a lot of mistakes. I was really put on the defensive against his service weapon," said Heaney.

The rest of the team shifted up the ladder to make up for the losses of Kralik and Wang.

Junior William Way '17 continued his impressive antics. After winning 6-1, 6-2 against Nobles, Way defeated his Deerfield opponent 6-1, 6-1 on Court 4 with an aggressive forehand and net game.

Huang was next to win 6-7, 6-0 (10-5) at number two singles. Valuable advice from Assistant Coach Trey Meyer after the first set helped Huang turn the momentum in his favor and take command of the match.

"He told me to take advantage of the wind and my unorthodox slices in order to run my opponent around," said Huang.

Kalb scraped out another close win 5-7 7-6 (5), (10-6) at number three singles. After saving a match point, Kalb used his forehand and shot variety to eventually wear down his opponent.

With Andover feeling the pressure, tied 3-3 going into doubles, Kralik applied for and was granted a medical clearance.

Heaney and Kralik grabbed a fast 6-3 lead in doubles, yet a surge in their opponents' energy and serving power propelled Deerfield to an 8-6 win.

Number two doubles duo Huang and Kalb sealed the only doubles win for Andover 8-5.

With Kralik and Wang on the mend, Andover has high hopes going into the New England Mid-Atlantic Tournament this Saturday in Baltimore.

Kalb said, "We took second place last year, and that only makes us hungrier for the first place finish this year. If we utilize our shots and play true to our own style, we'll be a force on the court." 4/25/14

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Michael Huang '15 won doubles with Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14.

BOYS TENNIS

Underclassmen take Doubles Title At Tournament

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a match point ahead of him, Junior phenomenon William Way '17 stepped up to the baseline and fired off an ace to clinch the match, claiming the doubles title in the number two bracket at the New-England Mid-Atlantic Invitational Tournament.

Way and partner Jonathan Jow '16 took the only titles for Andover Boys Tennis in the tournament. The duo won two super-tiebreakers on the way to the top, one in the semi-finals and the other in the finals.

"Way and Jow had a very effective strategy going. Way used his power to keep his opponents glued to the baseline, so Jow could finish off with the easy volley," said Co-Captain James Heaney '14.

Andover Boys Tennis endured the 12-hour trek to Baltimore, MD, to compete at NEMA this weekend. The team ultimately placed fourth amongst 12 of the region's top teams after finishing in second-place last year.

"We met or exceeded our expectations at NEMA. Our performance was very close to being as good as last year's second-place finish, where we also had lots of players playing on the last day," wrote Coach Gregory Wilkin in an email to *The Phillipian*.

The tournament had a different format than what the team is used to playing. No players were allowed to overlap for singles and doubles, altering Andover's lineup.

Heaney played number one singles, followed by Christopher Kralik '16 at number two singles and Michael Huang '15 at number three singles.

Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 and a healed Dan Wang '14 joined forces for number one doubles. The pair fell just short of the title after losing 10-8 in a third set super tiebreaker against the top seeded team in the finals.

Andover faced more of a challenge in the singles brackets.

"We were a little banged up going in this year, with some sore backs and arms and ankle injuries, but the boys fought hard and played well, using their strengths very intelligently," said Wilkin.

Heaney took on the most skilled opponents thus far in the season. He faced five and four-star competitors, according to "tennisrecruiting.com."

"In my singles matches, I tried to grind really hard, which did bother my opponents somewhat, but ultimately I probably should have been more aggressive to overcome their power," said Heaney.

Kralik had a close loss to the top seed in the number two singles bracket. He avenged this loss with a streak of success in the consolation rounds.

Huang also lost a close match to a player from Balitmore's Gilman School, who would go on to win the tournament. He recovered quickly and was able to secure wins in the consolation bracket as well, thanks to his weapon of a forehand.

Closer to home, but without Kalb in the singles lineup, Andover fell 4-3 to Exeter last Wednesday.

Wins from Heaney, Kralik, Kalb and Huang gave Andover the doubles point, but the team could not continue the momentum in singles.

On the other courts, the players struggled with keeping their focus during the entire match.

"We played poorly and didn't take advantage of our opportunities. We could have made better use of the wind and won more deuce points," said Heaney.

With this in mind, the team will focus on match play and consistency in practice as it prepares to take on St. Paul's this Monday. 5/2/14

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Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 took home two wins this week.

Injuries No Threat to Win Streak

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
St. Paul's	2
Andover	6
Dexter	0

Andover Boys Tennis overtook St. Paul's 4-2 last Monday and followed up with a decisive 6-0 win against Dexter Southfield this Wednesday.

Number Two singles player Christopher Kralik '16 was unable to play in the match against St. Paul's due to an injury. Despite missing a player, the team played confidently and assertively on Monday.

Number One Co-Captain James Heaney '14 won in a nailbiter, taking the match-determining tiebreaker 13-11. Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14, Dan Wang '14 and Jonathan Jow '16 also contributed key wins to Andover's team victory.

Andover continued this upward momentum against Dexter on Wednesday, sweeping the team in just over an hour.

"We've really picked it up and executed nicely. Our singles started clicking once we realized how important it was to not lose concentration and hang in there on every single point," said Kalb.

Heaney said, "Against Dexter I think I played my best match of the season. The player I played was as good if not better than my St. Paul's opponent, but I was more focussed and I went for my shots more."

Andover will play Choate away this Saturday and return home on Monday to play Groton. With two weeks left in the season, Andover's record stands at 6-2.

"I think we are doing better than we were before, we are still a little bit injured so that's kind of a problem. People are sort of in and out, and they haven't been able to be 100 percent all of the time. Hopefully people will recover; that's my hope," said Heaney.

5/9/14

Repeat Victory Over Hotchkiss to Caputure Championship

By Isabella Haegg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Milton	0
Andover	4
Exeter	0
Andover	4
Hotchkiss	1
Andover	4
Exeter	0

After dropping the first set 3-6 against Hotchkiss in the finals of the Class A New England Championships on Saturday and fighting back to win the second set 6-3, Co-Captain Henry Kalb '14 stepped up to the baseline in the third set, leading 5-1.

He fired off a serve and his signature blazing forehand to close out the match, giving Andover Boys Tennis its fourth point needed to defeat Hotchkiss, securing the title of New England Champions for the second year in a row.

Andover faced Number 1 seed Milton in the first round of the tournament on Saturday coming off positive momentum from its 7-0 sweep over Andover High School last Friday.

The team went up a quick 1-0 lead thanks to doubles wins on Court 3. William Way '17 and Jonathan Jow '16 defeating their opponent 8-1, and Co-Captain James Heaney '14 and Chris Kralik '16 won 9-7 at Number 1 doubles.

"We took the doubles point very fast. We had a lot of energy in the beginning and were very aggressive at net. We moved in a lot, and kept pushing our opponents," said Kralik.

Michael Huang '15 was next to nab a win for Andover, defeating his opponent 6-1, 6-1 at Number 3 singles. Jow followed on Court 6 with a 6-4, 6-4 win, and Way won at Number 5 singles 7-6, 6-3, deciding Andover's 4-0 win over Milton.

Andover went on to face Phillips Exeter Academy in the semi-finals, determined to avenge its prior 4-3 loss to Exeter earlier in the season.

Andover dominated at doubles, only dropping three games total, with wins on Courts 1 and 2, with scores of 8-2 and 8-1 respectively.

"Unlike last time we faced Exeter, we were all healthy and playing really well with confidence. We hit our stride," said Kalb.

Andover overpowered Exeter in singles, giving up a mere six games total in decisive wins on Court 2 (6-2, 6-0), Court 4 (6-1 ,6-1) and Court 6 (6-2, 6-0), putting Andover on top 4-0 and sending the team to the finals.

"All of us kept each other going and kept up the positive momentum from doubles. We looked down to each others courts to cheer the team on and motivate each other to keep winning," said Heaney.

Andover met Hotchkiss in the finals on Sunday, the same team it faced in the finals of last year's New England Championships.

After making the three-hour trek, the team arrived with little time to warm up before playing doubles.

Andover struggled to find its groove, dropping the doubles point after close 8-6 losses on Courts 1 and 2.

"We hadn't warmed up our shots, so we were much more inconsistent than usual in doubles. We were playing tentatively, and Hotchkiss took advantage of that," said Kalb.

Andover regrouped and regained its energy after a rousing pep talk from Kalb, where he reminded his teammates that Andover had also lost the doubles point in last year's Championships and still emerged victorious.

Andover bounced back and won the first set on every court in singles, putting the pressure on Hotchkiss.

Heaney was first to close out a decisive 6-1, 6-0 win.

"I was really motivated to win in order to keep spurring my other teammates on in their matches. I stayed steady and hit the ball deep and hard to keep my opponent from being able to implant his aggressive game," said Heaney.

Kralik followed suit with a 6-1, 6-2 win. Motivated after such a strong showing on Courts 1 and 2, Jow pulled out a close second set to win 7-1, 7-6 (4), and Kalb dug deep to finish off a grueling three-set match.

The team stormed the court in celebration, elated having achieved its ultimate goal of preserving its title as reigning New England Champions.

"It's amazing to win two years in a row. I'm very proud of how far the team has come, and it's a great way to go out my Senior year," said Kalb, who finished the season undefeated in singles.

Andover faced Exeter again on Wednesday, defeating the team decisively 6-1 after sweeping doubles and overwhelming Exeter at 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 singles. This win concluded the season, setting Andover's record at 10-2.

"We were more motivated than ever to try hard and stay focused on the match because we wanted to end our season on a high note. We did a great job of not feeling too comfortable after winning this weekend and played confidently," said Heaney.

Individual players from the team will compete in the NEPSITT Tournament this weekend; Heaney and Kralik will compete in the Number 1 and Number 2 singles bracket, and Way and Jow will represent the team at Number 1 doubles.

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COURTESY OF EDWARD HEANEY

Andover Boys Tennis finished its season with an 11-2 record.

Sport: Girls Tennis

Year: 2014

Captain: Elizabeth Howe & Camille Price

Coach: Deb Chase

SEASON RECORD

WON 11 LOST 2 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Danovitch, Larissa
Haegg, Isabella
Howe, Elizabeth
Mayhew, Madeleine
Park, Sewon
Posorske, Reagan
Price, Camille
Tobeason, Katherine

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
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Boys A

Name	Year	Hometown
Heaney, James*	2014	New Canaan, CT
Huang, Michael	2015	Wildwood, MO
Jow, Jonathan	2016	Irvine, CA
Kalb, Henry*	2014	Greenwich, CT
Kralik, Christopher	2016	Shanghai, CHN
Shen, Tyler	2017	Brookville, NY
Wang, Daniel	2014	West Windsor, NJ
Way, William	2017	Paget, BMU

**Captains*

Coach: Greg Wilkin
Managers: Elana King-Nakaoka '14, Kai Kornegay '14

Girls A

Name	Year	Hometown
Danovitch, Larissa	2016	New York, NY
Haegg, Isabella	2016	Weston, MA
Howe, Elizabeth*	2014	New York, NY
Mayhew, Madeleine	2015	New York, NY
Park, Sewon	2017	Hong Kong
Posorske, Reagan	2017	Cave Creek, AZ
Price, Camille*	2015	New York, NY
Tobeason, Katherine	2014	Bedford Hills, NY

**Captains*

Coach: Deb Chase

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DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/9 @ 2:30 PM	Millfield	H	Game	CANCELED
4/11 @ 4:30 PM	Groton		Game	W 10-5
4/16 @ 3:15 PM	St. Paul's		Game	W 13-2
4/18 @ 4:45 PM	Noble & Greenough		Game	W 8-6
4/19 @ 1:00 PM	Choate	H	Game	W 8-1
4/19 @ 4:00 PM	Hotchkiss	H	Game	W 6-3
4/23 @ 4:00 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	CANCELED
4/26 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 9-0
4/28 @ 4:45 PM	B. B. & N.	H	Game	W 9-0
4/30 @ 3:00 PM	Middlesex	H	Game	CANCELED
5/7 @ 3:15 PM	Milton	H	Game	L 3-6
5/10 @ 9:00 AM	Kent Tournament		Game	2nd Place
5/14 @ 3:00 PM	Thayer	H	Game	W 7-2
5/15 @ 11:00 AM	NEPSAC		Tournament	2nd Place
5/16 @ 3:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Game	CANCELED
5/17 @ 12:30 PM	NEPSAC	H	Tournament	L 0-5
5/21 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter		Game	W 9-0

Nationally-Ranked Posorske Joins Championship-Caliber Ladder

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Girls Tennis has set out many ambitious goals for this season, one of them being a New England Championship, according to Co-Captain Campbell Howe '14. The bold endeavor, however, is well within reach of this year's promising and youthful roster, especially in the light of a successful 2013 campaign which resulted in a second place finish.

Howe, one of the two Seniors on the team, will look to lead with fellow Senior Katherine Tobeason '14 and Co-Captain Camille Price '15. They must fill the shoes of three graduated players, one of them being Katherine Lee '13, the team's Captain of two years and number one player.

"[Lee] was integral to the team not only for skill and talent, but for keeping the whole team together," said Howe. "But the team will remain strong and cohesive, so on that front I think we will be all rright without the Seniors."

Two more players, Isabella Haegg '16 and Lara Danovitch '16, round out the returning cast. Contributing to this season's hopeful success is the return of Head Coach Deborah Chase, who was out on maternity leave last season.

Howe said, "A lot of us are really excited to have her back. She helped bring the team together and keep the dynamic up and alive."

The Co-Captains led Sunday practices during the winter with the intent of preparing the team for an even more tightly packed season of grueling matches than last season. Howe and Price plan to continue this increased focus on conditioning throughout the season.

The team fundamentally believes that its strengths lie in its depth, as well as its chemistry.

"We have great team chemistry, which translates really well to our doubles matches," said Haegg. "It's unusual for teams to be strong in doubles so we have that to our advantage."

Many of the players have experience playing together, which will serve them well when forming doubles teams.

Because the team lost almost half of its eight-person roster, it might be a challenge for it to quickly build chemistry with so many new players.

"This transition will happen quickly, so I'm not worried," said Haegg. "We have a few weeks of practice and tryouts before our first match."

One of these players is Reagan Posorske '17, who is currently ranked number four in Arizona for her class, according to the Babolat Recruiting List.

But according to Haegg, "Our team is known for depth, meaning we don't have just one stand out player, but everyone plays at a similar level and brings in a lot of wins for the team." She believes this will buffer the blow of losing Seniors.

After such a strong season last year, going undefeated in the league and finishing second in New Englands, the team has its sights set on bringing home a title or two. Andover was invited to the de Villafranca Tournament at Kent School in May.

"We're expecting this season to be probably the strongest in our history," said Haegg.

Howe said, "We picked up a lot of new talent this year, and we still have a pretty strong core team. We are trying to win the New England tournament this year. We were finalists last year, we lost to Hotchkiss but Hotchkiss lost a few of its top players, and we've only picked up more talent."

The season starts on April 9, when the team goes up against Millfield for the home opener of the season. 3/27/14

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Lara Danovitch '16 came on as a Junior last year.

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Reagan Posorske '17

TENNIS

3/27/14

On the Girls Tennis courts, watch out for star Reagan Posorske '17, a nationally-ranked four-star prospect on tennisrecruiting.com. At only 5'1", Posorske hits with plenty of power and maintains impressive athleticism that allows her to cover the whole court.

According to teammate Isabella Haegg '16, Posorske's ball placement and consistency make her an extremely tough opponent.

Haegg added that her hard serve is one of her most dangerous shots.

This past winter, having never played before, Posorske made the Girls Varsity Squash team, further demonstrating her innate racquet ability, according to Squash Captain Madeleine Mayhew '15.

GIRLS TENNIS

Season Opens with Double Victory

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
Groton	5
Andover	13
St. Paul's	2

Isabella Haegg '16 and Katherine Tobeason '14 demolished their St. Paul's opponents, both winning their singles matches 6-0, 6-0 in a 13-2 team win on Wednesday. The victory sealed a 2-0 kickoff to the season for Andover Girls Tennis.

"To have two of us win 6-0, 6-0, that's a big feat. It's hard to keep your focus up for the whole match," said Haegg. "I think it shows our focus has gotten better, to be able to close out two matches right from the beginning."

On top of winning five of six singles matches, Andover took all three doubles points.

Number 1 Reagan Posorske '17 had a final score of 6-4, 6-1. Both Co-Captains Camille Price '15 and Campbell Howe '14 took home 6-3, 6-0 victories, as Numbers 2 and 4 respectively.

The only loss of the day came from Number 6 Lara Danovitch '16 who fell 6-2, 6-2.

According to Haegg, Head Coach Deborah Chase rounded up the team once the match had already been decided with the singles wins, and told the girls they had nothing to lose.

"It gave us a new, unique drive. We had nothing to worry about, and it was easier to play loose, so we wanted to just go for it and close out the match. Not to mention, it made doubles a place to try some new strategies, which is really helpful for developing a greater comfort zone," said Danovitch.

Price and Posorske won 8-4 at Number 1 doubles, followed by an 8-1 win by Haegg and Howe at Number 2, and an 8-0 win at Number 3 from Tobeason and Danovitch.

A strong start to the season last Friday against Groton helped the team gain momentum and confidence for its Saturday success. Posorske, Katherine Tobeason '14 and Sewon Park '17 won singles matches to give Andover the 10-5 win, with each set contributing a point.

The team will finish the road trip at Nobles today and open up two home matches on Saturday against Choate and Hotchkiss.

4/17/14

Undefeated Reign

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
Choate	1

Andover	6
Hotchkiss	3

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Co-Captain Campbell Howe '14 won all four of her matches last Saturday.

4/25/14

In the past eight years, Andover Girls Tennis has never won more than four matches in a single day against Hotchkiss. Riding on momentum from a win over Choate, Andover overtook a Hotchkiss team for the first time last Saturday.

Andover sent Choate home with an 8-1 loss en route to its 6-3 victory over Hotchkiss.

Over the exhausting seven-hour time period, some players played four matches — two singles and two doubles.

"Playing four matches in one day is certainly very intense, especially knowing that you'll have to have enough energy to last the day, all while you're trying to give it your all in a match," said Isabella Haegg '16.

Andover got off to a fast start early in the afternoon against Choate, with three quick, two-set wins coming from Reagan Posorske '17, Co-Captain Campbell Howe '14 and Katherine Tobeason '14, playing number one, four and five, respectively.

Two more wins from Haegg and Co-Captain Camille Price '15 led Andover into a decisive doubles sweep.

With only a short break in between matches, players needed to find ways to get reenergized for the next match. "I always rely on music to pump me up. In between matches, I eat an assortment of power bars and fruits," said Posorske.

Haegg added, "We had tons of good food and snacks to keep our energy up throughout the day. Coach [Deborah] Chase was helpful with telling us what to eat to get good nutrients in between matches."

After going up 4-2 at the end of singles against Hotchkiss, Andover only needed to win one doubles match to seal the victory.

Posorske and Price quickly seized the opportunity with a win at the one seed. Then, Haegg and Howe tagged on a win on Court 2 to add insult to injury.

"We've always been strong singles players, but this year our doubles have improved dramatically," said Howe. "[Haegg] and I complement each other's style of play really well on the court, and we cover each other's weaknesses."

The team is currently undefeated and shows no sign of slowing down. Last Wednesday's home match against Deerfield was rained out, giving Andover more time to prepare for Saturday's matchup against Exeter.

Posorske's 6-0s Lead Andover Sweep

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9
Exeter	0

Andover	9
BB&N	0

Neither Phillips Exeter Academy nor BB&N could steal a single match from Andover Girls Tennis in its respective games last Saturday and Monday. Successive 6-0 wins from Number 1 Reagan Posorske '17 were the highlights of the two matchups, of which Andover Girls Tennis won 9-0.

Due to inclement weather on Saturday, the team played on local indoor courts at Cedardale Club. As Saturday exemplified, some of the team's hardest challenges this year have come from weather issues.

"Our biggest challenge is having to battle with the elements," said Posorske. "The wind and temperature outside have definitely affected some of our games."

Posorske's prowess also contributed in the doubles arena. She won both of her doubles matches, one with Madeleine Mayhew '15 (8-5) and the second with Co-Captain Camille Price '15 (8-1).

"I think the strongest point this season, so far, was that we swept both Exeter and BB&N back-to-back. I am so proud of our team for doing such an amazing job, especially during those two games," said Posorske.

The two wins extended Andover's seven-game undefeated streak with less than half of the season to go.

Isabella Haegg '16 said, "Each win fuels us to keep pushing harder, in practice, in our workouts and in our matches, so we can keep up an undefeated record."

"Having such a strong and supportive team takes a lot of the pressure off in our individual matches as well. We always know we have a teammate one court away who will cheer us on and push us to perform our best," she added. 5-2-14

The team will go up against Milton at home on May 7 and will play a tournament at Kent on May 10.

Posorske Shines Amidst Team's First Loss

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Milton	6

Andover Girls Tennis emerged with its undefeated record broken after a 6-3 clash with Milton last Wednesday.

Ahead of the match, Andover knew toppling the tennis titans would be no easy task. While Milton has only dropped one set the entire season, Andover added six more in its last matchup.

"They [Milton] have a very strong team with a very deep ladder. We knew it was going to be a very tough challenge," said Isabella Haegg '16, who fell 6-0 in the second set and 10-7 in her emotional tie-breaker.

Haegg said, "It was tough. I mean, I was disappointed because this was a girl I grew up playing with. We've been doubles partners before. She got more consistent, and I got more inconsistent."

Despite the loss, Andover had a few shining moments. Number One seed Reagan Posorske '17 extended her undefeated streak, overwhelming Milton's nationally-ranked Number One in a 6-1, 6-1 win.

"It means a lot to me to remain undefeated," said Posorske. "But if it wasn't for my team, the outcome of my matches would be different."

The second point for Andover came from Katherine Tobeason '14 at the Number Five spot.

At 4-2 going into doubles, Andover knew it could claim victory if it took all three of the doubles matches.

"We thought we could win three matches," said Haegg. Posorske and Co-Captain Camille Price '15 won 8-4 on Court 1, giving Andover a lifeline. The team jumped out to an early 3-0 lead on Court 2, but eventually fell 8-4. A close 8-6 loss on Court 3 added to the loss.

"I think while our loss against Milton today was certainly frustrating and close towards when we had the opportunity to clinch the doubles points," said Price.

With a tournament at Kent this coming weekend, Andover must recover quickly to be on top of its game. "I think this loss only adds fuel to the fire to be successful during the Kent tournament — it motivates us to train and play a lot harder," said Posorske.

Haegg said, "We're a little disappointed, but we knew [Milton was] good. All in all, we're not crushed."

"Given the dynamic of the team, we're going to take the loss and turn it into motivation. We've been winning so consistently that this gives us something to work towards, some incentive to ramp up the training," Price added.

"We will face them in the NEPSAC tournament at the end of the term, and I think this will be good in the long run."

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Reagan Posorske '17 is Andover's only undefeated player. 5/9/14

The Return of Coach Chase: Andover Places Second at New Englands

By Noah Belser
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Convent	0
Andover	5
Nobles	1
Andover	0
Milton	5
Andover	9
Exeter	0

Andover Girls Tennis wrapped up its season with a second-place finish in the NEPSAC Division A tournament last weekend.

Over the course of the two-day event, the girls beat Convent of the Sacred Heart and Nobles & Greenough (Nobles) Saturday, before falling on Sunday to Milton in the finals. Milton also delivered Andover its only regular season loss earlier in the season.

Despite the loss in the finals, the team considered the tournament and whole season a huge success.

"The season as a whole has been incredibly successful for us," said Co-Captain Camille Price '15. "We lost only one match in the main season, placed second in the Kent tournament and second in New England's."

Individual performances like that of Isabella Haegg '16 showcased the team's overall improvement over the course of the season. After falling to her Nobles opponent during the regular season, she bounced back to a 6-1, 6-1 win in the tournament.

"The tournament was a great reflection on how hard we worked all season. The fact that we made it to the finals is an amazing accomplishment, and I am so proud of all of my teammates. Everyone played their best," said Reagan Porsorke '17, who completed the season undefeated at Number 1 singles.

To cap off the impressive second-place finish, the girls officially closed out their season to the tune of a 9-0 sweep over Phillips Exeter Academy last Wednesday, the second time this season.

Andover did not drop a single set in the clash with its archrivals and ended its season with a 10-1 record.

Posorske crushed her opponent 6-0, 6-2. Price won at two seed 6-2, 6-2, followed by another 6-2 6-2 win by Haegg at three seed.

Seniors Co-Captain Campbell Howe '14 and Katherine Tobeason '14 ended their Andover tennis careers with two sweeping wins: 6-2, 6-1 and 6-0, 6-1 respectively. Sewon Park '17 won 6-4, 6-0.

COURTESY OF CRISTINA FERNANDEZ-HAEGG

Andover Girls Tennis took home the runner-up trophy in this year's tournament.

"We closed out singles and doubles very fast. It was awesome to get such a decisive win and end our season on such a high note," said Haegg. "We all came out and played our games and showed out how much we've grown as players."

With five of the top seven players returning, the sky's the limit for this young team.

"Our team prides itself on our ability to both work hard and enjoy ourselves both during practice and during matches. Each girl never ceases to amaze me with her dedication and perseverance," said Price. "While we spend many hours a week together, the tennis team never seems to get tired of each other's company, a mark of how much we have bonded this year."

5/23/14

Sport: Boys Track & Field

Year: 2014

Captain: Robert Rush

Coach: Corbin Lang

SEASON RECORD

WON LOST TIED

LETTER WINNERS

Arone, Jonathan
Burnett, Thomas
Cruz, Christian
Curtis, Henry
DiAdamo, Nicholas
Diekema, Scott
Fischetti, Matthew
Gorton, John
Hartemink, Edward
Kakkar, Keton
Legaspi, Josiah
McGovern, Paul
Monaghan, Patrick
Moore, Michael
Osborn, Matthew
Rush, Robert
Shapiro, Samuel
Simon, Matthew
Skinner, Ralph
Stone, Ryder
Sundaram, Kailash
Ward, Noah

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Track
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Al Falasi, Sultan	2014	Abu Dhabi, UAE
Arone, Jonathan	2014	Boxford, MA
Brown, Ethan	2017	Bethel, CT
Burgo, Lavon	2016	Brockton, MA
Burnett, Thomas	2015	Bedford, MA
Chavez, Diego	2016	College Point, NY
Cho, Yong Hyun	2015	Seoul, KOR
Cruz, Christian	2016	Dorchester, MA
Curtis, Henry	2015	New York, NY
DiAdamo, Nicholas	2015	North Andover, MA
Diekema, Scott	2014	Iowa City, IA
Doran, Arthur	2015	Natick, MA
Feigenbaum, Thomas	2015	Andover, MA
Feng, Rugang	2016	Beijing, CHN
Fischetti, Matthew	2014	Groton, MA
Fitzgerald, John Henry	2014	Braintree, MA
Freeland, Devontae	2015	Piscataway, NJ
Geng, Frank	2015	Andover, MA
Godo-Solo, Dakoury	2017	Andover, MA
Gorton, John	2015	New York, NY
Grottkau, Matthew	2017	Reading, MA
Harris, Miles	2016	Astoria, NY
Hartemink, Edward	2017	Katy, TX
Henderson, Joshua	2015	Raleigh, NC
Humphreys, Robert Davis	2015	Boxford, MA
Isenhower, John	2016	Burke, VA
Jordan, Joshua	2016	St. Albans, NY
Kakkar, Keton	2015	Port Washington, NY
Kelleher, Benjamin	2016	North Reading, MA
Kochakian, Nicholas	2015	North Andover, MA
Kornegay, Jair	2015	Goodyear, AZ
Lee, Kyu Hyun	2015	Seoul, KOR
Lee, Maxwell	2015	North Reading, MA
Legaspi, Josiah	2014	Andover, MA
MacMillan, Samuel	2014	Toronto, ON, CAN
Masud, Mustafa	2016	Issaquah, WA
McGovern, Paul	2015	Methuen, MA
Monaghan, Patrick	2014	Gillette, NJ
Moore, Michael	2014	Mississauga, ON, CAN
Osborn, Matthew	2015	Mid-Levels, HKG
Peffer, Jacob	2017	Andover, MA
Pena, Joel Anthony	2016	Princeton, NJ
Rush, Robert*	2014	Bronx, NY
Shapiro, Samuel	2016	North Andover, MA
Simon, Matthew	2014	Brooklyn, NY
Skinner, Ralph	2016	Lowell, MA
Stone, Ryder	2014	Calgary, AB, CAN
Sundaram, Kailash	2015	Andover, MA
Vardar, Cem	2015	Istanbul, TUR
Venigalla, Abhinav	2015	Lakeland, FL
Wagner, Brian	2014	New York, NY
Wang, Andrew	2016	Houston, TX
Ward, Noah	2017	North Hampton, NH
Yau, Derek	2015	Andover, MA
Young, Jason	2015	Redford, MI
Zhang, Eric	2014	North Reading, MA
Zhong, Richard	2017	Andover, MA

**Captain*

Coach: Corbin Lang

Managers: Meera Patel '15, Alejandra Uria '15

Boys Track Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 1-1-0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/5 @ 1:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Game	
4/5 @ 1:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Game	
4/12 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield/Taft	H	Game	W PA 71: Taft 52: Deerfield 41
4/19 @ 2:00 PM	Gov/Exeter/Groton/Thayer/Winsor	H	Game	1.Phillips Exeter 191, 2.Thayer 91, 3.Phillips Academy 38, 4.Governor's 19, 5.Groton 10
4/26 @ 3:00 PM	Milton/SPS/LA		Game	1.) Phillips Academy 108, 2.) Milton Academy 94, 3.) St. Paul's School 28, 4.) Lawrence Academy 8
5/3 @ 4:15 PM	Loomis/NMH @ Loomis		Game	PA: 56 Loomis: 93 NMH: 33
5/7 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing/Pingree/Concord	H	Game	1.) Phillips Academy 143, 2.) Cushing 52, 3.) Concord Academy 38, 4.) Pingree 7
5/17 @ 10:00 PM	Interschols		Game	9th of 12 teams
5/24 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 20-121

Interschols 5/17/2014
Away Game 9th of 12 teams
9th of 12 teams
PHILLIPS ACADEMY BOYS TRACK
Matt Fischetti recorded personal bests in four events to lead the Phillips Academy Big Blue boy's track team at the 75th annual New England Prep School Track Association Class A meet held at Northfield Mount Hermon School on Saturday. Mike Moore added a fourth place with a fine performance in the shot put. Mark Zavrl, a 2013 graduate of Andover High, won the javelin throw competing as a post-graduate for Phillips Exeter with a winning toss of 174-2, and also placed in the shot put. As a team, Phillips finished ninth in the 12-team field. The Big Blue conclude their season next Saturday with a home meet against Phillips Exeter at 3pm.
Team scores: 1.Phillips Exeter 121, 2.Loomis Chaffee 89, 3.Hotchkiss 85, 9.Phillips Andover 22 (of 12 teams)
Phillips placers:
110-H: 5.Matt Fischetti 15.81
300-H: 6.Fischetti 42.08
HJ: 2.Fischetti 6-0
LJ: 5.Robert Rush 20-0
SP: 4.Mike Moore 48-2.75
JT: 6.Ryder Stone 140-2
4x400: 4th at 3:32.04 (Christian Cruz, Keaton Kakkar, Edward Hartemink, Fischetti)

Exeter 5/24/2014
Home Game 20-121
Tough final meet
Senior Matt Fischetti (Groton, MA) concluded an outstanding career in Phillips Academy track by placing in three events (110 hurdles, 300 hurdles, and pole vault) and running a blistering final leg of the 4x400 relay as the Big Blue dropped their final meet of the year at home on Saturday to a powerhouse team from archrival Phillips Exeter. Fischetti will compete in the decathalon at Johns Hopkins University next year. Senior captain Robert Rush (Bronx, NY) took second in the long jump. Dartmouth football recruit Ryder Stone (Calgary, Alberta) placed in the javelin and long jump. Noah Ward (North Hampton, NH) set a junior class record in the discus with a toss of 129-6.
Team scores: Phillips Exeter 121, Phillips Academy 20
Phillips Academy placers:
400: 3.Will Hartemink 53.78
110-H: 3.Matt Fischetti 16.12
300-H: 3.Fischetti 42.80
Pole vault: 2.Fischetti 10-6
Long jump: 2.Robert Rush 19-7, 3.Ryder Stone 19-5
Triple jump: 3.Derek Yau 36-8.5
Shot put: 2.Mike Moore 46-6.5
Discus: 2.Noah Ward 129-6
Javelin: 2.Stone 146-4, 3.Nick DiAdamo 135-2

Sport: Girls Track & Field

Year: 2014

Captain: Diana Tchadi

Coach: Corbin Lang

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LETTER WINNERS

Asare-Bediako, Abena
Dolan, Angela
Gangi, Taryn
Huang, Jenny
Humes, Sarah
Jarvis, Charlie
Johnson, Gabriella
Lefft, Alexis
Little, Camille
Marsh, Deyana
Masmoudi, Iman
McGovern, Peyton
Pimentel, Shanice
Platt, Sharon Ruth
Shipley, Caroline
Tackett, Evelyn
Tang, Angela
Tao, Meghan
Tchadi, Diana
Tope, Parker
Tope, Samantha
Vale, Hanover
Wayne, Alysandria
Zhang, Sharon

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Track
2014 Roster

Name	Year	Hometown	Name	Year	Hometown
Akoshile, Aisha	2017	Brooklyn, NY	Masmoudi, Iman	2014	Charlotte, NC
Asare-Bediako, Abena	2014	Washington, DC	Mastrangelo, Savannah	2016	Middleton, MA
Cline, Gillian	2016	Tampa, FL	McGovern, Peyton	2016	Methuen, MA
Dolan, Angela	2016	Andover, MA	Neogi, Nupur	2016	Wilmington, MA
Gangi, Taryn	2016	Methuen, MA	Nix, Sabine	2016	Katonah, NY
Garden, Whitney	2017	Greenwich, CT	Pimentel, Shanice	2014	Boston, MA
Gudinas, Alana	2016	Atkinson, NH	Platt, Sharon Ruth	2015	Eielson AFB, AK
Gudinas, Corina	2017	Atkinson, NH	Rider, Amelia	2017	Carmel Valley, CA
Houle-Dupont, Alexandra	2015	Montreal, QC, CAN	Schmidt, Mikayla	2017	Tyngsboro, MA
Huang, Jenny	2016	Leawood, KS	Shipley, Caroline	2016	Andover, MA
Humes, Alana	2015	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN	Steiner, Margot	2017	New York, NY
Humes, Sarah	2016	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN	Tackett, Evelyn	2015	Coxs Creek, KY
Jarvis, Charlie	2015	Watertown, MA	Tang, Angela	2016	West Linn, OR
Johnson, Gabriella	2016	Matthews, NC	Tao, Meghan	2015	Andover, MA
Jusuf, Emily	2016	Jericho, NY	Tchadi, Diana*	2014	Iowa City, IA
Kramer, Anna	2016	Bedford Hills, NY	Tope, Parker	2016	Minneapolis, MN
Krasta, Sindi	2014	Tirane, ALB	Tope, Samantha	2014	Minneapolis, MN
Kuin, Morgan	2017	Andover, MA	Vale, Hanover	2015	North Andover, MA
Lasenberry, Amadi	2017	Montclair, NJ	Virgili Alovisetti, Adriana	2015	Madrid, Spain
Lefft, Alexis	2016	Lake Wylie, SC	Wang, Justine	2015	Andover, MA
Ling, Xin Yi	2015	Shanghai, CHN	Wayne, Alysandria	2014	Lowell, MA
Little, Camille	2016	West Bloomfield, MI	Williams, Myioshi	2017	Miami, FL
Lu, Sabrina	2017	Stanley, HKG	Xenakis, Julianne	2016	Haverhill, MA
Marsh, Deyana	2017	Middleton, MA	Zhang, Sharon	2016	Portland, OR

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Girls Track Spring 2014
Schedule and Record

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DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/5 @ 1:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Game	
4/5 @ 1:30 PM	Andover HS	H	Game	
4/12 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield/Taft	H	Game	W PA 98: Deerfield 41: Taft 36
4/19 @ 2:00 PM	Gov/Exeter/Groton/Thayer/Winsor	H	Game	Thayer 111, Governor's 90, Phillips Academy 79, Phillips Exeter 78, Windsor 37, Groton 2
4/26 @ 3:00 PM	Milton/SPS/LA		Game	1.) Phillips Academy 130.33, 2.) Milton Academy 89.33, 3.) St. Paul's School 20.33, 4.) Lawrence Academy 15
5/3 @ 4:15 PM	Loomis/NMH at Loomis		Game	PA: 70 Loomis: 70 NMH: 41
5/7 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing/Pingree/Concord	H	Game	(1.) Phillips Academy 156 (2.) Pingree 35 (3.) Cushing 28 (4.) Concord Academy 26
5/17 @ 10:00 PM	Interschols		Game	4th of 13 teams
5/24 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 67-69

Deerfield/Taft 4/12/2014
Home Game PA 98: Deerfield 41: Taft 36
Girls Track wins first meet of the season
The Phillips Academy girl's track team won a three-team event on Saturday at home, scoring 98 points to outdistance rivals Deerfield (41) and Taft (36). Charlie Jarvis won the 300 hurdles and the long jump. Camille Little dominated in the 200. Caroline Shipley of Andover won the 400 and ran on both winning relay teams. Methuen's Peyton McGovern won the 1500. Deyanna Marsh won the 100 hurdles, Alexis Lefft won the shot, Abby Asare-Bediako won the triple jump. Phillips competes next on Saturday in a six-team meet at home at 2pm.
Phillips winners: 1500 Peyton McGovern 4:54.18, 100 hurdles Deyanna Marsh 19.77, 400 Caroline Shipley 60.63, 300 hurdles Charli Jarvis 49.56, 200 Camille Little 26.58, shot put Alexis Lefft 29-8.75, long jump Jarvis 15-8, triple jump Abby Asare-Bediako 33-8.5, 4x100 (Taryn Gangi, Jarvis, Shipley, Little) 51.02, 4x400 (Marsh, Meghan Tao, Evelyn Tackett, Shipley) 4:22.85. Next meet is at home on Saturday at 2pm against six teams, including Phillips Exeter.

Gov/Exeter/Groton/Thayer/Winsor 4/19/2014
Home Game Thayer 111, Governor's 90, Phillips Academy 79, Phillips Exeter 78, Windsor 37, Groton 2
The Phillips Academy girl's track team finished third in a six-team event.
The Phillips Academy girl's track team finished third in a six-team event at home on Saturday, edging rival Phillips Exeter, 79-78. Camille Little (West Bloomfield, MI) won both the 100 and 200, ran on the winning 4x100 relay and placed in the long jump. Methuen's Peyton McGovern won the 1500 and the 3000. Thayer Academy finished first with Governor's Academy second. Phillips competes next Saturday in a tri-meet at Loomis Chaffee with Northfield Mount Hermon.
Phillips placers: 100 1.Camille Little 12.52, 200 1.Little 25.82, 400 2.Caroline Shipley 60.2, 800 4.Evelyn Tackett 2:33.40, 5.Sharon Platt 2:34.24, 1500 1.Peyton McGovern 4:57.59, 4.Wendy Zhang 5:25.77, 3000 1.McGovern 10:50.65, 100-Hurdles 5.Deyana Marsh 19.99, 300-Hurdles 2.Charli Jarvis 48.09, Shot Put 3.Alexis Lefft 27-10, Discus 3.Lefft 79-3, Long Jump 4.Jarvis 16-0, 5.Little 14-11.5, 4x100 1st place 50.64, 4x400 2nd place 4:22.41

Milton/SPS/LA 4/26/2014
Away Game 1.) Phillips Academy 130.33, 2.) Milton Academy 89.33, 3.) St. Paul's School 20.33, 4.) Lawrence Academy 15
Nice win for Girls Track!
PHILLIPS ACADEMY GIRLS TRACK & FIELD
On a damp and chilly afternoon, Camille Little (West Bloomfield, MI) won three individual events (100, 200, long jump) and anchored the winning 4x100 relay to lead the Phillips Academy girl's track team to a first-place finish in a four-team meet held at Milton Academy on Saturday. Alexis Lefft (Lake Wylie, SC) won the shot put and the discus, and Peyton McGovern (Methuen, MA) ran a scintillating time in the 1500. Phillips dominated the meet, winning twelve events, including both relays, and compiling 130.33 team points to easily outdistance Milton's 89.33. The Big Blue compete next Saturday at Loomis-Chaffee with Northfield Mount Hermon.
Phillips winners: 100 Camille Little 12.4, 200 Little 26.3, 400 Caroline Shipley 60.7, 800 Parker Tope 2:27.8, 1500 Peyton McGovern 4:47.2, 4x100 51.5 (Taryn Gandi, Shipley, Shanice Pimentel, Little), 4x400 4:17.1 (Meghan Tao, McGovern, Evy Tackett, Shipley), Shot Put Alexis Lefft 27-1, Discus Lefft 74-1, Pole Vault Jenny Huang 6-6, Long Jump Little 15-1, Triple Jump Bediako 34-11.

Loomis/NMH at Loomis 5/3/2014
Away Game PA: 70 Loomis: 70 NMH: 41
PA: 70
Loomis: 70
NMH: 41

Cushing/Pingree/Concord 5/7/2014
Home Game (1.) Phillips Academy 156 (2.) Pingree 35 (3.) Cushing 28 (4.) Concord Academy 26
Big Blue Dominates!
The Phillips Academy girl's track team dominated a four-team meet at home on Wednesday afternoon. Camille Little continued her winning ways in the 100 and 200, and Platt won both the 800 and 1500. Phillips won 13 of 17 events. Next up for the Big Blue is the New England Prep Schools Class A Interscholastic meet on Saturday May 17 at NMH.
Team scores: 1.Phillips Academy 156, 2.Pingree 35, 3.Cushing 28, 4.Concord Academy 26

Phillips Placers:
100: 1.Camile Little 12.72, 2.Shanice Pimentel 13.17, 3.Taryn Gangi 13.46, 5.Lexi Johnson 13.57
200: 1.Little 26.38, 2.Caroline Shipley 27.53, 3.Megan Tao 28.27, 5.Johnson 29.30
400: 1.Shipley 59.04, 2.Tao 63.93, 3.Whitney Garden 67.09, 5.Margot Steiner 69.84
800: 1.Sharon Platt 2:33.92, 2.Evy Tackett 2:34.09, 4.Parker Tope 2:34.59
1500: 1.Platt 5:11.73, 2.Tope 5:12.75, 5.Zhang 5:32.00
100-H: 1.Sarah Humes 17.51, 2.Diana Tchadi 17.54, 4. Angela Tang 20.02
300-H: 1.Charli Jarvis 49.35, 2.Humes 49.87, 3.Tchadi 52.46, 5.Deyana Marsh 55.80
4x100: 1st at 50.55
4x400: 1st at 4:35.00
Shot: 1.Alexis Lefft 29-6, 4.Alexandra Houle-Dupont 24-5, 5.Angela Dolan 22-0.5
Discus: 2.Lefft 77-0, 3.Dolan 74-2
Javelin: 3.Hanover Vale 76-7, 5.Iman Masmoudi 71-4
Pole Vault: 1.Jenny Huang 7-0
Long jump: 1.Pimentel 14-11, 2.Jarvis 14-4.5
Triple Jump: 1.Abby Asare-Bediako 33-9.5, 2.Gangi 32-8.5, 3.Humes 30-8, 4.Mikayla Schmidt 27-7.25, 5.Nupor Neogi 26-2

Interschols – 5/17/2014
Away Game 4th of 13 teams
PA Finishes 4th in New England Track Meet
The Phillips Academy girl's track team finished fourth out of 13 teams at the 75th New England Prep School Track Association Class A meet held at the Northfield Mount Hermon School on Saturday. Camille Little won the 100 for the second year in a row, and this year added the 200 title and ran on the winning 4x100 team which set a new meet record at 49.07 seconds. Charli Jarvis won the 300 hurdles and ran on two winning relays. Loomis-Chaffee won the team title with 83 points. Phillips will conclude their season next Saturday with a home meet against archival Phillips Exeter at 3pm.
Team scores: 1.Loomis Chaffee 83, 2.Hotchkiss 82, 3.Northfield 72, 4.Phillips Andover 70 (of 13 teams)
Phillips placers:
100: 1.Camille Little 12.35
200: 1.Little 25.67
800: 6.Sharon Platt 2:25.56
1500: 2.Peyton McGovern 4:45.78
100-H: 5.Sarah Humes 17.47
300-H: 1.Charli Jarvis 47.24, 4.Humes 48.65
TJ: 4.Abby Asare-Bediako 33-10, 6.Taryn Gangi 33-0
4x100: 1st at 49.07-new meet record: (Gangi, Jarvis, Shanice Pimentel, Little)
4x400: 1st at 4:06.50 (Megan Tao, Evelyn Tackett, Caroline Shipley, Jarvis)

Exeter 5/24/2014
Home Game 67-69
Tough loss ends season
The Phillips Academy Girls Track team ended their season with a fine performance in a close loss to their archrivals from Phillips Exeter in a home meet on Saturday. Both Camille Little (West Bloomfield, MI) and Caroling Shipley (Andover, MA) had record setting performances. Little set an Andover-Exeter meet record winning the 100 and both school and Andover-Exeter records winning the 200. Little also anchored the winning 4x100 relay with Taryn Gangi, Charlie Jarvis, Shanice Pimentel. Caroline Shipley set the Andover-Exeter record winning the 400. Peyton McGovern (Methuen, MA) took the 800 missing the Andover-Exeter record by one second. Sarah Humes (Beaconsfield, Canada) won the 300 hurdles and Charli Jarvis (Watertown, MA) won the long jump. Alexis Lefft (Lake Wylie, SC) placed in all three throwing events.
Team scores: Phillips Exeter 69, Phillips Academy 67
Phillips Academy placers:
100: 1.Camille Little 12.35(A/E Record), 3.Shanice Pimentel 13.23
200: 1.Little 25.29(School and A/E Record), 2.Caroline Shipley 26.63, 3.Taryn Gangii 27.03
400: 1.Shipley 59.28(A/E Record), 2.Meghan Tao 62.75
800: 1.Peyton McGovern 2:18.58
1500: 2.Sharon Platt 4:59.48
3000: 3.Sharon Zhang 11:33.47

100-H: 2.Sarah Humes 17.22, 3.Diana Tchadi 17.45
300-H: 1.Humes 48.71
4x100 1st 49.89 (Gangii, Charlie Jarvis, Pimentel, Little)
Long jump: 1.Jarvis 16-1
Triple jump; 2.Gangii 33-8.75
Shot put: 3.Alexis Lefft 29-0.25
Discus: 2.Lefft 97-10
Javelin: 2.Iman Masmoudi 75-4, 3.Lefft 65-10

Promising Talent In Underclassmen-Oriented Team

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

As the snow finally melts and the sun shines over the rubber tracks that surround the fields of Andover, the Andover Track and Field team looks to start another season. The new term brings exciting opportunities for the team, which boasts new and robust talent, along with experienced returning stars.

Last year, the Girls and Boys teams finished fifth and sixth respectively at the New England Prep School Track Association (NEPSTA) Division I Championships. Both teams hope to improve on those finishes.

"Last year, the Girls team did well, and it was great to have a range of people in almost every event," said Peyton McGovern '16, who finished 14th in the Girls 1500-meter run at the NEPSTA Division I Championships.

She continued, "It was also a key rebuilding year. The Junior class brought some great track athletes which was really exciting. At Interschols there were some truly standout performances from girls of all grades that showed great promise for this year's team."

Caroline Shipley '16, who placed third in the Girls 400-meter dash, added, "We had a fair amount of injuries, but we still ended up with a solid record, some really strong individual performances throughout the season and a few records. There was also a lot of improvement throughout the team over the course of the season."

Even though the team finished the year with an honorable record, runners such as Derek Yau '15 were not impressed. "We didn't really get too far at Interschols, which is the big meet we train for," he said.

Yau, a triple-jump star, however, is also looking forward to the upcoming season.

He added, "We got a lot of Juniors to join the team; a lot of people who have the potential to contribute to the team in big ways."

The underclassmen exhibit exciting new talent for the upcoming year, but Andover's Track and Field team will be guided by the experienced leadership of Co-Captains Diana Tchadi '14 and Rob Rush '14.

Rush, who helped the Boys team take third place in the 4x100-meter relay during Interschols, and Tchadi, who helped net the girls second place in the 4x100-meter relay, both boast impressive records.

"We're looking forward to the passionate leadership from the Co-Captains Diana Tchadi and Robert Rush through their devotion to the sport and the team," said Andrew Wang '16.

Even though the team has a promising set of athletes, it appears to be shorthanded in some areas.

Yau added, "For the jumpers we are shorthanded. I'm not sure how we're going to tackle that issue just yet. Maybe Rob Rush and I will try to recruit some guys and encourage

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Read about Camille Little '16 on B6.

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George Avecillas '14, Matt Osborne '15 and Miles Harris '16 left to right.

C.CRUZ/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Matt Fischetti '14

TRACK AND FIELD

Don't blink, or you'll miss Andover Boys Track Co-Captain Matt Fischetti '14. Fischetti isn't just fast. Try really fast. Really, really fast. Fischetti runs the 110-meter hurdles and the 300-meter hurdles, throws the javelin and is a member of the 4x400-meter relay. In his best event, the hurdles, Fischetti's strong lower body and long legs allow him to clear hurdles with ease while maintaining speed through his jumps.

Fischetti builds on his natural talent with a strong work ethic. Spending hours in the gym after practice, Fischetti hones his craft around the clock. Fischetti is committed to to Johns Hopkins University for Division I Track & Field.

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Camille Little '16

GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

Camille Little '16 is a young runner looking to sweep the competition in her second year on the track. Little's textbook form allows her to compete in a number of events including the 100-meter dash, 4x100-meter relay, 200-meter, 400-meter and 4x400-meter relay. Little excels at the 100-meter dash because of her amazing running form and quick start. Teammate Diana Tchadi '14 notes that her ability to come out of the box firing on all cylinders is staggering.

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Young Runners Show Promise

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Boys	56
Andover High	84
Andover Girls	67
Andover High	73

Andover Track and Field's Boys and Girls teams lost 56–84 and 67-73, respectively, during a meet against Andover High on Saturday.

"I got to see a lot of potential of the younger generation of track stars, and I'm really excited to start this year right, and I think we did really well for our first meet," said Boys Captain Rob Rush '14.

He added, "For this being the first meet, I was really worried about our jumps and some of our mid-distance. But after watching our athletes run these events, I have to say I was surprised in a good way."

Mike Moore '14 finished first in the Boys Shot-Put. Scott Diekema '14 and John Gorton '15 finished first and second in the Boys 1500-meter, respectively.

Caroline Shipley '16 finished first in the Girls 400-meter, and Peyton McGovern '16 finished first in the Girls 800-meter. Alexis Lefft '16 took home the win in the Girls Discus.

Andover will face Deerfield and Taft on Saturday at home.

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Angela Tang '16 clears a hurdle.

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In addition to competing in the long jump, Co-Captain Robert Rush '14 placed first in the Boys 4x100 Relay with Jonathan Arone '14, Will Hartemink '17 and Ryder Stone '14.

Boys and Girls Take First in 15 Events

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After falling to crosstown rivals Andover High, Andover Track and Field turned the season around with sweeping wins over Deerfield and Taft last Saturday.

The Girls team won handily with an uncontested 98 points with Deerfield and Taft stuck at 41 and 36 points, respectively. The Boys team had a closer matchup but still recorded 71 points to 52 from Taft and 41 from Deerfield.

"We had a whole bunch of first places, in addition to some second and thirds, which is always nice," said Caroline Shipley '16, who placed first in the Girls 400. The girls placed first in ten events, while the boys placed first in five.

The team displayed its talents in a multitude of events over the weekend. Peyton McGovern '16 took first in the Girls 1500-Meter, Camille Little '16 in the Girls 200-Meter, Matt Fischetti '14 in the Boys 110-Meter Hurdles, Michael Moore '14 in the Boys Shot Put and Sam Shapiro '16 in the Boys Triple Jump.

The team was also able to deal with a few last minute changes in the lineup. Shipley said, "In the Girls 4x400 [Meter Relay], Deyana Marsh '17 stepped into an empty spot and did an awesome job running her first 400 ever."

The girls ended up winning first place in the 4x400-Meter Relay.

"We really showed the depth our team has, taking multiple places in our respected events, which truly shows the team nature of track and field," said Co-Captain Robert Rush '14.

He continued, "I can't wait to host this next meet. It'll be our first glimpse into how Interschols will be, and I'm confident we'll measure up."

Andover Track and Field will host Thayer, Governor's Academy, Winsor, Groton and rival Phillips Exeter Academy this Saturday.

4/18/14

Andover Falls At the Feet of Thayer

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Camille Little '16 commanded the track on Saturday, finishing first in the Girls 100-meter, Girls 200-meter, and first in the Girls 4x100-meter race. Little's 18 points nudged Andover Girls' Track to a four-point victory over Exeter.

Andover Girls Track, however, fell 85-76 to Thayer. Exeter scored 81 points, trailed by Groton, Windsor and Governor's.

Andover Boys Track, however, was not as successful. The team fell by a large margin of 191-38 to Exeter and lost to Thayer as well. Andover beat Governors, Groton, and Winsor.

Peyton McGovern '16 dominated the distance events. She took first place in the Girls 1500-meter and Girls 3000-meter with times of 4:57.3 and 10:50.5, respectively. This was McGovern's second consecutive win in the Girls 1500-meter and first time under five minutes.

Little took home first in the 100-meter and 200-meter with times of 12.52 and 25.82, respectively. Little sprinted the anchor in the winning Girls 4x100-meter. Taryn Gangi '16, Charlie Jarvis '15. and Shanice Pimentel '14, participated were also part of the 50.64-second race.

"I really got into my own groove on Saturday, which is the best feeling a runner can have. My 3000-meter race on Saturday did not feel as tedious and hard as the 3000's I ran last year, which left me completely winded," said Peyton McGovern '16, who finished the 3000-meter 27 seconds before her nearest competitor.

On the boys side, Co-Captain Rob Rush '14 took 1st place in the Boys Long Jump with a 20-foot leap. Rush improved from his second place performance of 19 feet and 6.5 inches last week.

Rush was the only Andover Boys athlete to take first in the meet.

Scott Diekema '14 raced to second in the Boys 1500-meter with a time of 4:24.7. Kyu Hyun Lee was the only Andover athlete to place in the High Jump with a height of 5 feet, 2 inches.

Andover Boys Track did not place in the 300 Intermediate Hurdles, 800-meter, Triple Jump, and Discus.

Andover Track and Field will square off against Milton, St. Paul's and Lawrence Academy in its first away meet of the season this upcoming Saturday.

4/25/14

L.LUO/THE PHILLIPIAN

Meghan Tao '15 sprints down the track with an Exeter runner close behind.

Come-From-Behind 4x400 Victory Anchors Milton Sweep

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In the final lap of the 4x400-meter relay, Andover was behind Milton Academy. With the crowd cheering alongside him, Matt Fischetti '14 grabbed the baton, chased down Milton's anchor and left him in the dust en-route to a 4x400-meter-relay victory and a near 50-second lap time.

Fischetti's come-from-behind victory wrapped up Andover Boys Track and Field's 106-96 win over Milton. The team also defeated St. Paul's School and Lawrence Academy, which scored 28 and eight points, respectively. This Andover win comes on the heels of a crushing loss to Phillips Exeter Academy two weeks ago.

"Personally I thought the meet was a great success. Despite the less than ideal [weather] conditions, everyone got focused and performed exceptionally well," said Fischetti, who also placed first in both the 110-meters hurdles and 300-meters hurdles.

Ralph Skinner '16 added, "After being beat by Exeter, it was good to see myself and the team get back to our feet with a win on Saturday."

Andover Girls Track and Field also took first place in the quad meet with an overpowering 133.33 points. Milton finished second with 89.33 points, followed by St. Paul's and Lawrence 28 and 8, respectively.

Peyton McGovern '16 won the Girls' 1500-meter once again. McGovern set a personal record by once again breaking the five-minute mark. McGovern currently holds the fastest time among Merrimack Valley high school athletes this season.

Camille Little '16 also continued her success. Little sprinted to victory in both the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes for the second week in a row.

Caroline Shipley '16 placed first in the 400-meter for the second time this season. Shipley placed second when Andover raced Exeter on April 19.

Parker Tope '16 won the 800-meter for the first time this season and rookie Deyana Marsh '17 won the 100-meter hurdles.

On the Boys side, the meet had a dramatic flair. After bolting into first place duringr the 100-meter dash, Ryder Stone '14 saw a silhouette of a St. Paul's sprinter in his peripheral vision. Stone, however, using his 5'10" and 205-pound build, surged forward in the last ten meters to net first place for the Andover Boys Track and Field team last Saturday at Milton.

On the distance Boys events, Keton Kakkar '15 won the 800-meter and Ralph Skinner '16 won the 3000-meter.

After a dominating victory, Andover will head down to Loomis in order to take on Loomis Chaffee and Northfield Mount Hermon this Saturday.

J.SCHMITT/THE PHILLIPIAN

Evelyn Tackett '15 was part of the 4x400-meter winning team that recorded a time of 4:17.1.

5/2/14

Fischetti Does It All: Victory In Hurdles, Pole Vault and Sprints

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Stepping into the 4x400-meter for the first time in his Andover Track career, Keton Kakkar '15 grabbed the baton from Christian Cruz '16, sprinted ahead and passed first place Loomis at the 300-meter mark in the second leg.

Kakkar's 400-meter leg, however, did not end without dramatics. As Kakkar handed off the baton to Will Hartemink '17, Kakkar tripped over the track rails and fell to the ground. Hartemink, fortunately, grabbed the baton and did not give up Andover's 4x400-meter lead. Matthew Fischetti '14 anchored Andover's 4x400-meter victory.

While Andover ended the meet on a strong note, Andover Boys Track fell 93-56 to Loomis. On the Girls side, Andover tied Loomis at 70 points in a heavily-contested matchup.

On Wednesday, Andover overwhelmingly swept its competitor in its lead up to the NEPSTA Division I Championships.

"Today's meet was a great momentum builder heading into New England's. With only two days to recover from a competitive meet against NMH and Loomis, we saw some peak performances and new personal bests!" said Boys Track Captain Rob Rush '14, who did not compete due to injury.

Andover Boys Track scored 143 points, compared to 52 points from Cushing, 38 points from Concord, and seven points from Pingree.

Andover Girls Track racked up 156 points. Pingree, Cushing and Concord followed with 35, 28 and 26, respectively.

On the Boys side, Fischetti took home the victory in three events: the Boys 110-meter hurdles, the Boys 200-meter and the Boys Pole Vault.

Andover Football Running Back Ryder Stone '14 secured two first place finishes in the Boys 100-meter and the Javelin Toss.

Will Hartemink '17, Michael Moore '14 and Noah Ward '14 won the Boys 400-meter, Shot Put and Discus Toss, respectively.

Ralph Skinner '16, Paul McGovern '15 and Kailash Sundaram '15 led the pack in the Boys 3000-meter.

Andover Girls' Track took first place in both the 4x100-meter relay and the 4x400-meter relay.

Sarah Humes 16' secured the victory in the Girls 100-meter Hurdles with a time of 17.51 seconds. University of Chicago Soccer recruit and Girls' Track Captain Diana Tchadi '14 came in a close second with a time of 17:54.

The Girls also swept the 300-meter Hurdles. Charlie Jarvis '15, Humes and Tchadi took first, second and third place, respectively.

Caroline Shipley '16 and Camille Little '16 continued their season-long dominance. Shipley won the Girls 400-meter while Little won both the 100-meter and 200-meter race.

"My teammates and coaches have pushed and encouraged me a lot this season, and that inspires me to work even harder," said Shipley.

In regards to Girls field events, Alexis Lefft '16 took first place in the Shot-Put and Jenny Huang '16 won the Pole Vault.

Shanice Pimentel '14 and Jarvis took first and second, respectively, in the Girls Long Jump.

Andover also swept the Girls Triple Jump. Abena Asare-Bediako '14, Taryn Gangi '16, Humes '16, Mikayla Schmidt '17 and Nupur Neogi '16 took first, second, third, fourth and fifth place, respectively.

Andover Track looks to use its momentum to capture a strong finish at the NEPSTA Interscholastic Championships next Saturday, May 17.

L.LUO/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andrew Wang '16 was a Varsity Indoor Track runner this winter.

5/9/14

Little and Fischetti Earn 34.5 Points Combined

By Chiraag Gohel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRTER

Camille Little '16 could not be stopped on Saturday. Competing with the best in the NEPSAC league, 5'1" Little swept the short sprints, taking home first in the Girls 100-meter and Girls 200-meter at the 75th New England Prep School Track Association Class A meet on Saturday.

Little's 22.5 points in her three events led to Andover Girls Track's fourth place finish. The team finished with 70 points. Loomis, Hotchkiss and Northfield Mount Hermon took first, second and third with 83, 82 and 70 points, respectively.

Andover Boys Track, however, did not enjoy much success. The team tied for ninth place in a field of 12 teams with 22 points. Archrival Phillips Exeter Academy, who placed first, scored a whopping 121 points. Exeter was followed by Loomis and Hotchkiss, who scored 89 and 85 points, respectively.

"As a team, we knew the competition was going to be exceptionally tough, and it would take a miracle for us to be a factor among the top teams. Everyone performed at, or better than, their season bests; it's just the league was that much better," said Indoor Track Co-Captain Matt Fischetti '14.

On the Girls side, Little scored around a quarter of Andover's points. This year marks the second straight year that Little has finished first in the Girls 100-meter.

Little was also part part of 4x100 relay team that recorded first place and set a meet record. In addition to Little, Taryn Gangi '16, Charlie Jarvis '15 and Shanice Pimentel '14 ran the race.

Jarvis also captured first in the 300-meter hurdles. Sarah Humes '16 contributed to the team with a fourth place finish in the 300-meter hurdles and a fifth place finish in the 100-meter hurdles.

Peyton McGovern '16 placed second in the 1500-meter with a time of 4:45.78, while Sharon Platt '15 took sixth in the 800-meter in 2:25.56.

Megan Tao '15, Evelyn Tackett '15, Caroline Shipley '16 and Jarvis capped off the day with a first place finish in the 4x400-meter relay.

"While individually I had a really tough day, the team was incredibly supportive. They literally picked me up and kept me going. I couldn't ask for a better group of teammates," said Shipley. "I was so happy to come back and run the 4x[400-meter relay], and so proud of each of the outstanding performances we saw on Saturday."

On the Boys side, Fischetti recorded a record of four personal bests. Fischetti took second in the High Jump, fifth in the 110-meter hurdles, sixth in the 300-meter hurdles and was part of the 4x400-relay team that took fourth. Other members of the relay team were Christian Cruz '16, Keton Kakkar '15 and Edward Hartemink '17.

Fischetti scored 12 points, representing more than half of Andover's points on the day.

"Personally, I did pretty well, scoring in all of my events and high jumping six feet and running under 16 seconds in the hurdles to earn All-New England in both those events," said Fischetti.

Co-Captain Rob Rush '14 secured fifth place in the Boys Long Jump with a 20-foot leap, while Mike Moore '14 took fourth in the Boys Shot Put. Ryder Stone '14 also contributed to the team's points with sixth in the Javelin Throw.

After losing to Exeter 191-38 earlier in the season and 121-22 at Interschols, Andover Boys and Girls Track will look to narrow the deficit when it caps of its season against Exeter on Saturday.

"It's all about looking into the future. We have a lot of young guys on the team for next year, and giving Exeter a good run this weekend will be a big boost in terms of the team's experience," said Fischetti.

5/23/14

J.SCHMITT/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Diana Tchadi '14 has competed at four Interschols in her career.

Sport: Ultimate

Year: 2014

Captain: Alec Tolentino & Remington Remmel

Coach: Scott Hoenig

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 7 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Alpert, Matthew
Amorosso, Rocco
Bhathena, Darian
Cornelius, Sarah
Henderson, Graeme
Ira, Richard Satoshi
Jackson, Ian
Mahaniah, Gabriel
McGovern, John
McIntosh, Ethan
Remmel, Remington
Singh, Armaan
Swett, Jordan
Tolentino, Alec
Tulungen, Paul
Wolfe, James
Young, Seho

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Varsity Ultimate Frisbee
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
3	Singh, Armaan	2014	Tallahassee, FL
4	Young, Seho	2015	Dedham, MA
5	Ira, Richard Satoshi	2016	Stamford, CT
7	Remmel, Remington*	2014	Little Rock, AR
8	Tolentino, Alec*	2014	Holly Springs, NC
9	Wolfe, James	2017	Fair Haven, NJ
10	Tulungen, Paul	2014	Culver, IN
11	McIntosh, Ethan	2015	Lexington, MA
12	McGovern, John	2015	Andover, MA
13	Alpert, Matthew	2015	North Andover, MA
15	Swett, Jordan	2015	Littleton, MA
16	Jackson, Ian	2016	Chapel Hill, NC
17	Amorosso, Rocco	2015	Tampa, FL
19	Mahaniah, Gabriel	2016	Andover, MA
20	Bhathena, Darian	2016	Andover, MA
21	Henderson, Graeme	2014	Beavercreek, OH

**Captains*

Coach: Scott Hoenig
Assistant Coaches: Graham Rosby, Stephanie Wong

Managers: Sarah Cornelius '14, Bianca Navarro Bowman '15

Ultimate Spring 2014
Schedule and Record

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DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/9 @ 4:15 PM	Newton North Ultimate	H	Game	L Varsity Loss : 9-11
4/9 @ 4:15 PM	Newton North Ultimate	H	Game	W JV Win: 13-5
4/16 @ 3:30 PM	Concord-Carlisle		Game	L Varsity Loss: 4-15
4/16 @ 3:30 PM	Concord-Carlisle		Game	L JV Loss: 6-15
4/23 @ 3:30 PM	Boston University Academy		Game	W Varsity Win: 15-10
4/30 @ 3:45 PM	Lexington HS Ultimate	H	Game	CANCELED
4/30 @ 3:45 PM	Lexington HS Ultimate	H	Game	CANCELED
5/2 @ 4:45 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	JV Loss: 6-7
5/3 @ 9:00 PM	Amherst Ultimate, Somerville, Lincoln-Sudbury		Game	W PA 15, Amherst 5 : PA 15, Somerville 4 : PA 12, Lincoln-Sudbury 15
5/4 @ 9:00 PM	Concord-Carlisle		Game	L Varsity Loss: 8-13
5/4 @ 10:00 PM	Andover HS		Game	W Varsity Win: 13-7
5/7 @ 3:30 PM	Masconomet Ultimate	H	Game	L Varsity Loss: 7-15
5/7 @ 3:30 PM	Masconomet Ultimate	H	Game	L JV Loss: 5-15
5/13 @ 4:00 PM	Somerville Ultimate	H	Game	W Varsity Win: 15-2
5/13 @ 4:00 PM	Somerville Ultimate	H	Game	W JV Win: 15-6
5/15 @ 3:45 PM	Andover Ultimate	H	Game	W JV Win: 15-11
5/17 @ 9:00 PM	NEPSUL Tourney		Game	4th Place Overall and Spirit of the Game Award
5/21 @ 3:30 PM	Acton-Boxboro Ultimate		Game	L Varsity Loss: 4-15
5/21 @ 3:30 PM	Acton-Boxboro Ultimate		Game	W JV Win: 15-1
5/22 @ 3:45 PM	Andover Ultimate	H	Game	L Varsity Loss: 8-15

NEPSUL Tourney 5/17/2014
Away Game - 4th place and Spirit of the Game Award

Ultimate Team Wins Spirit of the Game Award at League Championship Tournament, Placing 4th Overall.

The Phillips Academy Ultimate team placed fourth at the New England Prep School Ultimate League championship tournament on Saturday at Deerfield Academy. The team went 1-1 in pool play, losing to Chase Collegiate (1-13), and beating Deerfield (13-5). In the semifinal game, Andover lost to Hotchkiss (13-6). In the 3/4 game, Andover lost to NMH (13-6). Chase Collegiate went on to win 1st place, defeating Hotchkiss 13-7 in the final game.

At Ultimate tournaments, each team assigns their opponent a Spirit of the Game score at the end of the game, based on their opponent's knowledge of the rules, their ability to self officiate, and their overall sportsmanship. Andover received the highest spirit score average, and won the tournament's Spirit of the Game award.

Complete results of the NEPSUL championship tournament are available at
http://scorereport.net/2014/youth-open/event14710

A.WESTFALL/*THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain '14 looks to lead Ultimate this year.

Ultimate Aspirations To Avenge Playoff Loss

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Ultimate showed its resilience last year at the end of the season in the NEPSUL playoffs. With only four returning players last year, Andover showed how it was able to build the skills needed to compete against high-level teams. This year, Co-Captains Rem Remmel '14 and Alec Tolentino '14 hope to lead the more experienced team to a great season. Tolentino captained the team last year, bringing the then-inexperienced team to an 8-9 season.

"Last year was somewhat of a rebuilding year. We lost a bunch of Seniors and underclassmen for various reasons. So when the season started last year we only had five or six returners. Considering how new the team was, we did very well coming together as a team and playing very strongly at some of the tournaments at the end of the season," said Tolentino.

By competing well, the team showed that it could do well under playoff pressure. The team hopes to continue its streak of great play in the new season. With four returning Seniors, including Co-Captain Graeme Henderson '14 and Armaan Singh '14, the team hopes to bounce back from losing seven Seniors last year.

"One of our main goals for every season is always to play our best ultimate at the end of the season. Last year we accomplished this goal, so I would say last season was a success. As for this year, we have more returners, so hopefully we'll be able to skip a lot of the teaching and learning we had to do last season. The team needs to improve on our flow on offense and on our communication on defense," said Tolentino.

The key weaknesses of the team can easily be addressed through hard work and practice. The team will also improve as they continue to have in-game decisions.

"The Co-Captain Rem Remmel ['14], Graeme Henderson ['14], Armaan Singh ['14] and I are the only returning Seniors, and we will have to step up and lead the team both on and off the field. The returning Uppers and Lowers will also have to step up and teach some of the newer players," Tolentino added.

Andover played their best last year at the Amherst Invitational, destroying two teams with final scores of 15-1 and 15-2. These two decisive victories came after three consecutive losses. Andover's history of comebacks has shown that they have the ability, so the team needs to just give complete effort throughout entire games.

Andover will have its first game April 9 against Andover High Ultimate. The first three games of the year will be played at home in the frigid New England weather, but if the team is able to withstand the cold, it will be gifted with the warm spring weather that is soon to come.

3/27/14

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Alec Tolentino '14

ULTIMATE

On the Ultimate field, Senior Alec Tolentino '14 is not playing around. A bi-varsity athlete, Tolentino was a member of the 2013 New England Champion Varsity Football team. With a blistering, NFL-caliber 4.6 40-yard dash, Tolentino has the speed to blow by pretty much anyone. As for power, Tolentino uses his strong lower half to explode up and snatch the disc away from any competitors.

3/27/14

ULTIMATE

Injuries Cripple Team

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Concord-Carlisle	15

Sprinting across the field, Co-Captain Remington Remmel '14 set his sights on beating down a threatening Concord-Carlisle pass near Andover Ultimate's end zone. Just milliseconds late to reject the pass, he smashed into his opponent. Remmel emerged with a broken nose while Concord-Carlisle added to its lead with the next pass, going on to win the game 15-4 last Wednesday.

The team also suffered from the absence of Co-Captain Alec Tolentino '14 due to his own injury.

Despite the missing leadership, Andover looked promising at certain points in the game.

"Jordan Swett ['15] had a great game. He laid out for some catches, had some great defensive plays and was very reliable," said Darian Bhathena '16.

Weather conditions have not been favorable for outdoor Ultimate games so early in the season. Blistering cold and debilitating wind have added elements of chance to Andover's matchups.

Bhathena added, "We need to work on communication on the field. Overall, knowing what we have to do on the field will help."

Andover will play Boston University High School next Wednesday. The team hopes to have both of its Co-Captains back on the field.

4/16/14

First Win Shows Room For Improvement

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
BUA	0

Andover Ultimate Co-Captain Alec Tolentino '14 took command right off the pull with the team down 7-6. With the ease of a seasoned veteran, Tolentino caught the disc and instinctively threaded it through the entire Boston University Academy (BUA) team and into the awaiting hands of Graeme Henderson '14 for the tying point.

After opening with two losses, Andover found a 15-10 win last Wednesday over BUA.

Although Andover started off slow, the team was able able to come back from a 3-5 score to win 8-7. After adjusting to BUA's zone defense, Andover took control of the game.

Rocco Amorosso '15, Jordan Swett '15 and Henderson added some notable diving catches of their own to the highlight reel.

The win, however, also pointed out some weakness on defense. "I would say we need to work on communication," said Matt Alpert '15. "When we did switch well, we communicated well. We knew who we were switching with so we could effectively cover our opponents."

Andover's inability to switch effectively on a consistent basis has created lapses in defense and given its opponents opportunities to score. As the season progresses, the team's chemistry must improve to solidify the defense.

Alpert continued, "In the last few games, we came out weak and got down a few points. In this game in particular, we were able to show resilience and come back."

Andover will travel down the road this weekend to participate in a tournament hosted by Andover High School.

4/25/14

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Graeme Henderson '14 linked up with Co-Captain Alec Tolentino '14 to tie up the game at 7-7.

ULTIMATE

Changed Mentality Gives Mixed Results

3 Wins 3 Losses

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With mud flying off his cleats, Graeme Henderson '14 threw himself into the air to catch the disc, tumbling into the end zone and pushing Andover to a 15-5 win over Somerville.

Andover went 3-2 in a two-day tournament over the weekend. On Saturday the team won two and dropped one, beating Amherst Regional Middle School and Somerville both by a score of 15-5 and losing to Lincoln Sudbury 15-11.

A changed mentality gave Andover the edge in its matches. Consistently superb physical play complemented the team's dedication over the weekend.

"Our Captains always tell us the game is all in our heads. If we can get into the mentality that, despite adversity, we can win a game, we will. It is tough to get into that mental state sometimes," said James Wolfe '17.

Ian Jackson '16, "As our Captain Alec Tolentino ['14] says, 'It's an attitude.' We have to give our all to get the disc even if it means laying out. And on both days, so many of us laid out to make a great block that [Anthony Kodis, Athletic Stockroom Coordinator,] was furious about how dirty our white jerseys got," said Ian Jackson '16.

On Sunday, Andover beat Andover High on Sunday 13-7, but fell to Concord-Carlisle 14-9 in a close game.

"When we played Andover High, we were mentally prepared [and] performed at the best level we have all season," said Wolfe.

"Our strengths were definitely being able to work against a zone defense, which we saw a few times in the tournament. Our positions worked very well against the zone, and we were able to work the disc across the field and send it down. Also, what really worked was our intense defense," said Jackson.

Despite the momentum from the weekend, Andover was overpowered last Wednesday in a 15-7 loss to Masconomet Regional High.

The team will hope to replicate its success against Somerville in a rematch this Tuesday. 5/9/14

Andover Receives Spirit of the Game Award at NEPSUL Tournament

By Ryan Simard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Despite losing three of its four games in the NEPSUL tournament, Andover Ultimate was awarded the Spirit of the Game Award last Saturday.

The award is awarded to the team that receives the highest spirit-score average. After each game, teams award opponents a spirit score based on the opponent's knowledge of the rules, their ability to self-officiate and their overall sportsmanship, according to the athletics page of the Andover website.

"[Andover] Ultimate takes pride in our spirit of the game, and it showed last Saturday. We play against some tough teams and often found ourselves behind on the scoreboard, but that didn't stop us from playing our game, and playing it right. I'm proud of our team for winning the Spirit of the Game Trophy, the highest honor in Ultimate," said Jack McGovern '15 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

O.PICCHIONE *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ethan McIntosh '15 looks to get past the stall.

Andover defeated Deerfield but fell to Northfield Mount Hermon, Chase Collegiate and Hotchkiss to finish the tournament in fourth place.

"We often found ourselves on the wrong side of our defenders, constantly being beat up the short side with the forehand flick. This is pretty common throughout the entire tournament for us and is definitely something we need work on," said McGovern.

McGovern continued, "As for the positives, we made great success playing against zone defense all across the board. We learned a lot as a team from playing against all zone defenses we encountered, and we were much better players by the end of the day."

On Wednesday, Andover fell to Acton Boxboro 4-15.

Andover hopes to win its final game of the season on Thursday against Andover High School.

5/23/14

Sport: Volleyball

Year: 2014

Captain: Ji Tae Park & Alexander Tamkin

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith

SEASON RECORD

WON 3 LOST 6 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Anderson, Thayer
Becker, Alexandria
Bell, Annette
Call, Kade
Chernyk, Oliver
Deorocki, Brendan
Gusman, Irviandra
Jin, Hyung Joon
Johst, Thomas
Krishna, Achindra
Kwon, Alex
Park, Ji Tae
Tamkin, Alexander
Tuan, Austin
Yang, Jerry
Yoon, Seokjun

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Boys Varsity Volleyball
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
1	Chernyk, Oliver	2015	New York, NY
2	Yang, Jerry	2017	Beijing, CHN
4	Anderson, Thayer	2015	Andover, MA
6	Call, Kade	2014	Haverhill, MA
7	Tuan, Austin	2017	Cupertino, CA
8	Kwon, Alex	2014	Athens, GA
9	Deorocki, Brendan	2015	Boxford, MA
10	Tamkin, Alexander*	2014	Glencoe, IL
11	Johst, Thomas	2015	Andover, MA
12	Park, Ji Tae*	2014	Nonthaburi, THA
13	Krishna, Achindra	2015	Dubai, UAE
14	Gusman, Irviandra	2014	Jakarta, IDN
15	Jin, Hyung Joon	2015	Sungnam-Si, KOR
16	Yoon, Seokjun	2014	Seoul, KOR

**Captains*

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith
Assistant Coach: Nef Francis

Managers: Alexandria Becker '15, Annette Bell '16
Filmer: Katherine Weaver '15

Boys Volleyball Spring 2014
Schedule and Record 3-6-0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/2 @ 4:00 PM	Central Catholic	H	Game	
4/19 @ 2:30 PM	Choate/NMH/PEA	H	Game	Andover 3 - Choate 0 / Northfield 3 - Exeter 1 / Choate 3 - Exeter 1 / Northfield 3 - Andover 2
4/26 @ 1:00 PM	Exeter/Wilbraham	H	Game	ANDOVER 3 - WM 1 (26-24, 25-20, 21-25, 25-15) / ANDOVER 0 - EXETER 3 (16-25, 16-25, 22-25)
5/3 @ 4:30 PM	Choate/NMH/PEA		Game	Andover 3 - Choate 2 / NMH 2-Andover 0
5/6 @ 4:15 PM	Central Catholic	H	Game	Scrimmage
5/10 @ 2:15 PM	Wilbraham/Exeter		Game	L-Andover 0 - Wilbraham Monson 2 / Andover 1 - Exeter 2
5/18 @ 11:00 AM	Tournament	H	Game	L- Semi Finals: Andover 2, NMH 3 / Choate 3, Exeter 1 Finals: NMH 3, Choate 1
5/18 @ 11:00 PM	Tournament	H	Game	L 2-3

Choate/NMH/PEA - 4/19/2014
Home Game Andover 3 - Choate 0 / Northfield 3 - Exeter 1 / Choate 3 - Exeter 1 / Northfield 3 - Andover 2
The Commencement of the NEW ENGLAND PREP SCHOOL Boys Volleyball Season
Reporting the commencement of the NEW ENGLAND PREP SCHOOL boys volleyball season:
@ Andover on Saturday April 19, 2014
Andover 3 - Choate 0
Northfield 3 - Exeter 1
Choate 3 - Exeter 1
Northfield 3 - Andover 2
Specifics of the two Andover matches:
Andover roster
#4 Thayer Anderson '15 Libero
#6 Kade Call '14 Setter
#1 Ollie Chernyk '15 Opposite
#9 Brendan Deorocki '15 Middle Hitter
#14 Andra Gusman '14 Outside Hitter
#15 Jason Jin '15 Setter
#11 Tom Johst '15 Opposite
#13 Achindra Krishna '15 Opposite/MH
#8 Alex Kown '14 Setter
#10 Alex Tamkin '14 Outside Hitter
#7 Austin Tuan '17 Outside Hitter
#2 Jerry Yang '17 Outside Hitter
#16 David Yoon '14 Middle Hitter

Andover 3 - Choate 0 (25-18, 27-25, 25-23)
Stats leaders:
Alex Tamkin 10 kills, 28 of 32 hits
Andra Gusman 6 aces, 18 of 20 service points
Brendan Deorocki 2 stuffs, 2 of 6 blocks
Ji Tae Park 30 digs on 38 attempts

A pleasing result for the first match of the season which demonstrated some exceptionally strong offense as well as defense. The total of 9 service errors speaks to the inexperience of the team and what we will need to practice the most in the coming week.

Andover 2 - NMH 3 (25-20, 14-25, 25-27, 25-28, 9-15)
Stats leaders:
Alex Tamkin 21 kills, 53 of 67 hits
Ji Tae Park 3 aces, 17 of 20 serves; 35 of 41 digs made
David Yoon 5 stuffs, 5 of 5 blocks
Brendan Deorocki 5 stuffs, 5 of 11 blocks
Alex Kwon 22 of 24 service points

In the first and fourth set we played our game, served harder balls and hit harder - as a results we made some more errors but bury NMH on their heels. In the second, third and fifth sets we were lulled to a slower play, volleying the ball over the net at half (or less) speed, were not adjusting to an NMH player who hit the balls hard and short versus an NMH player who hit the ball with less strength but deeper. A total of 16 service errors echoes the one aspect of the game we have to practice the most before we host Wilbraham and Exeter at Andover on Saturday April 26th.

Overall a good day for Andover; a good beginning and room for improvement. Thanks to NMH, Choate and Exeter for traveling to Andover today. Thanks for the fans who cheered (tentatively) as well as the managers who helped at the scorer's table, and the referees.

Exeter/Wilbraham 4/26/2014
Home Game ANDOVER 3 - WM 1 (26-24, 25-20, 21-25, 25-15) / ANDOVER 0 - EXETER 3 (16-25, 16-25, 22-25)

BV Volleyball Splits Games
ANDOVER 3 - WM 1 (26-24, 25-20, 21-25, 25-15)

Andover had to come from behind in all but the fourth set. In the first set Wilbraham pulled ahead 6-1, 9-5. Andover finally tied it at 12-12 and managed a lead of 24-17, but let Wilbraham tie it at 24-24, and squeaked out a winner at 26-24. In the second set Wilbraham again took a lead at 8-5. Andover tied it, but dropped back to 15-19 at which point Kade Call stepped to the service line and saved Andover with 7 consecutive service points for a 23-20 lead, which converted to a 2-0 set lead. In the third set Wilbraham pulled ahead again for a 7-4, 10-7 lead; Andover took the lead away briefly at 16-13, 17-14 but then st that lead and tied it up again at 18. Wilbraham pulled ahead for good and forced a 4th set. In the fourth set Andover's team started to click and never relinquished the lead for a 3-1 set win.
Kade Call is credited with team-leading 12 service points for that match.
Exeter joined the fun, playing Wilbraham to a 3-1 win.

ANDOVER 0 - EXETER 3 (16-25, 16-25, 22-25)
The inaugural A/E boys volleyball match was decidedly won by Exeter. Congratulations to them for their spirit, determination and almost error free game.
Andover's Kade Call and Austin Tuan each earned team-high 5 service points
Andover is now at 2-2 at half point through the season. Next Saturday we travel to Choate to play Choate and Northfield for the rematch. The following Saturday we travel to Wilbraham and Exeter for a rematch.

Choate/NMH/PEA 5/3/2014
Away Game Andover 3 - Choate 2 / NMH 2-Andover 0
Andover splits matches with NMH and Choate
Andover 3 - Choate 2 (20-25,27-25,21-25,25-19,16-14)
Northfield Mount Hermon 3 - Exeter 1
NMH 2-Andover 0 (15-25, 10-25)
Choate 2- Exeter 0

Andover (3-3 this season) pulled out a come from behind win against Choate (3-2) at Choate in a quad meet. Austin Tuan wins team honors for most service points 14 of team's 50.
Against NMH (4-0) we looked defeated from beginning to end. We held to a 9-9 tie in the first set, but every good attack we brought was countered by 2 or 3 of NMH. Again Austin had the most service points, 2 of the mere 7 Andover totaled for the match.
Andover travels to Wilbraham next Saturday to play Wilbraham (0-3) and Exeter (2-4) in a tri-meet.

Wilbraham/Exeter 5/10/2014
Away Game Andover 0 - Wilbraham Monson 2 / Andover 1 - Exeter 2
Andover 0 - Wilbraham Monson 2 (22-25,23-25)
Ji Tae Park with team high service points 7 of team's 20
Andover 1 - Exeter 2 (25-21, 24-26, 10-15)
Kade Call (Haverhill) team high service points 12 of team 30

Tournament 5/18/2014
Home Game Semi Finals: Andover 2, NMH 3 / Choate 3, Exeter 1 Finals: NMH 3, Choate 1
Great Tournament hosted by Big Blue
#1 NMH vs #4 Andover. 3-2 (25-17, 26-28, 16-25, 25-19, 15-12)
#2 Choate vs 4 Exeter 3-1
Finals:
NMH 3 - Choate 1
Congratulations to NMH for finishing the regular season undefeated.
Andover:
Kade Call has team service points 11 of team 45.
Alex Tamkin gets MVP for his strong hitting, especially through or around a very tall block.
Ji Tae Park earns the defense award for his consistent ups.
A fun season comes to an end. Andover says good-bye to 6 seniors: Alex Tamkin (OH), Ji Tae Park (Li), David Yoon (MH - injured), Andra Gusman (OH), Kade Call (S), Alex Kwon (S).
Thanks to all our fans who have supported us, the managers without whom the scoring, book-keeping and choice of music would not have happened.

Second-Seed Andover Aims for Championship

By Viraj Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Recovering from a devastatingly close 3-2 loss to first seeded Choate in last year's League Finals, second seeded Andover Boys Volleyball hopes to find better luck in the championship game in 2014.

This year, Andover will be put up against archrivals Phillips Exeter Academy for the first time ever as the "Founding Four" League is extended to five teams.

"I am excited for the league that [Exeter] has joined us. Their coach, Mr. Shang, is a great person who has tremendous volleyball experience and talent. If they don't see much success this year, they definitely will next year," said Head Coach Clyfe Beckwith. The league, consisting of Choate, Wilbraham and Northfield Mount Hermon, also hopes to welcome teams following in Exeter's footsteps such as Deerfield, Taft and St. Paul's in the coming years.

Andover lost four Seniors to graduation including former Co-Captains David Crane '13 and Haonan Li '13, as well as two star players Chris Wang '13 and Theo Agbi '13. Taking their spots this season are Juniors Austin Tuan '17 and Jerry Yang '17 and Uppers Jason Jin '15 and Brendan Deorocki '15.

With the new team, Coach Beckwith is experimenting with the rotations and lineups.

"Given that one plays defense and offense in a span of seconds, every cog of the gear system has to be spinning at just the right rate for success," said Beckwith.

Beckwith created a tentative line up that calls for Kade Call '14, Alex Kwon '14 and Jason Jin '15 as setters. Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14 , Andra Gusman '14, Austin Tuan '17 and Jerry Yang '17 are expected to play as outside hitters. Oliver Chernyk '15 and Tom Johst '15 are expected to play right side hitters.

David Yoon '14, Achindra Krishna '15 and Brendan Deorocki '15 will make up a tall band of middle hitters. Finally, Co-Captains Ji Tae Park '14 and Thayer Anderson '15 will sport their alternate jerseys as the team's supporting Liberos.

The team will have time to tweak its lineup before its first match on April 2 against Central Catholic at home. Beckwith, however, expects the team will need more time to find its form.

"We will peak toward the end of the season," he said.

"The team's success depends a lot on the team dynamics, simply because volleyball is a very psychological game," added Park.

All of this preparation will be critical in ensuring Andover's success. After having a great previous season, Andover looks to trade in last year's silver medal for a gold. 3/28/14

Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14 returns to the court as a powerful outside-hitter.

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Alex Tamkin '14

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Make sure to catch Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14 and the rest of Andover Boys Volleyball on the courts. Tamkin, who measures in at 6', plays as an outside hitter on the team. Tamkin, a new Upper last year, finished last season as perhaps the Most Valuable Player for the boys. The key to Tamkin's game is power. The returning Senior combines his impressive power with an uncanny ability to spike the ball wherever he wants. According to teammates, his combination of power and finesse is hard to find at the high school level.

3/28/14

Serves Fall Short As Andover Loses Three Straight Sets

Andover (L): 3-0

By Viraj Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Disregarding the intimidating score line of 12-24 in the first set, Co-Captain Ji Tae Park '14 mustered up what motivation he had left and vaulted his body at the ground for a diving save. His efforts put the ball back in play, but unsuccessful communication could not save the point as Andover Boys Volleyball lost 3-0 to Central Catholic in a preseason scrimmage on Wednesday.

During the first of the three sets, careless mistakes from Andover, including brushing the net and setting the ball long, gave Central Catholic a quick lead of 15-5, which it developed into a 12-25 win for Andover's opponent.

New additions to the team stepped up in the second and third sets, however, as Andover surged forward to close the gap.

Newcomers Brendan Deorocki '15 and Austin Tuan '17 were brought on the court during the second set, working well with libero Thayer Anderson '15 who came in for Park.

The team saw an improved level of play as Andover's new players quickly began to adapt to their first interscholastic match. Spikes from Tuan, who stands at 5'7", and David Yoon '14 paired with blocks and tips from Deorocki and Achindra Krishna '15 posed a challenge to Central Catholic. Andover fell just short of securing the close set, losing only 22-25.

Andover had another slow start in the third set, down 4-11. Then, with Park back on the court, Andover rallied back from 12-18 to 16-18. Finally, Yoon finished off an intense, drawn-out rally that tied the scoring at 20-20.

Andover struggled to seal the win, however, and fell 22-25 again in the third set.

Inconsistent serving proved to be the major struggle for Andover throughout the game; the team did not record a single ace during the game and struck the net on multiple occasions. Identified by Head Coach Clyfe Beckwith as the tone-setter for the game, Andover will work on securing its serving game heading into the regular season.

Andover looks to see improvement in its next game, a double-header against Choate and Northfield Mount Hermon on April 19.

"It's good to know that we have some time to not only improve our services, but also to help our team's chemistry and consistency," said Beckwith.

4/4/14

Blockbusters: Giants Hold the Court

"Defense is probably the most important thing in volleyball," said Andover Boys Volleyball Co-Captain Ji Tae Park '14. This year, the team's defensive capability will come down to the learning curve of newcomer Brendan Deorocki '15 and the performance of returner David Yoon '14. The two middle blockers will need to be on top of their game if Andover is to find success this season.

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BRENDAN DEOROCKI '15

DAVID YOON '14

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Brendan Deorocki '15

This is Deorocki's first year playing volleyball. At 205 pounds and 6'6", Deorocki was on Andover Football's championship-winning team last fall. Coach Clyfe Beckwith said, "Brendan's skills are very raw, and with time he will improve his play reading and court covering ability: he is a newcomer to the sport but is already making a big impact with his athleticism in blocking." Deorocki already understands his role on the team and knows that he must be able to both defend and score points. "It is the middle hitter's responsibility to take away spikes and hard hits from the opposing team in order to protect teammates," said Deorocki.

David Yoon '14

With three years of experience, Yoon, 6'3" and 185 pounds, will guide Deorocki in Andover's first line of defense. According to Yoon, the most important skill that a middle blocker needs is stamina and consistency. A good blocker can change the pace of the game through successful blocks and clean hits, as well as "being energetic and supportive of other players on the court when playing," said Yoon. Yoon is no stranger to the court, and his height was imperative in his Intramural Basketball team's championship win this past winter.

4/11/14

Tamkin '14 Shines in Andover's First Win

By Vijay Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Choate	0
Andover	2
NMH	3

Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14 spiked his way through Choate's defense to give Andover Boys Volleyball its first win of the season on Saturday. Andover swept Choate 3-0.

The team, however, was unable to sustain the momentum against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH). With the score tied at two apiece, Andover fell in the final set, the team's second loss of the season.

"Since today was a close game, it could have gone either way. We definitely had the potential to win both matches," said Alex Kwon '14.

Andover's strong serves paved the way for victory against Choate. After winning 25-18 in the first set, Andover looked to Tamkin to bring it back from a 7-2 deficit in the second set. Tamkin's spikes, combined with Co-Captain Ji Tae Park '14's digs and Kwon's sets, allowed Andover to take the lead, 14-13, and win the set, 27-25.

Andover won its final set against Choate in a close 25-23 thriller. The sweep over Choate was a drastic improvement from its 3-0 loss to Central Catholic on April 2.

"We have definitely been working on service receiving. When the other teams would serve, we

Andover Falls to First-Year Exeter Team

By Viraj Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Wilbraham	1
Andover	0
Exeter	3

In the absence of star player and Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14, Andover Boys Volleyball disappointed against a newly-formed Exeter team.

In a double header last Saturday against Wilbraham and Exeter, Exeter was the dominant force, despite that this is its first year on the volleyball circuit.

"We came out in the first game tired, and we lacked energy. Throughout the day we played more slowly than we are used to," said Thayer Anderson '15.

"This week we were missing our top player, [Tamkin], so while we tried to be aggressive, we knew that one of our key pieces offensively was missing. We played a sound, offensive game. Unfortunately, we did not do as well as we would have hoped," said Oli Chernyk '15.

Against Wilbraham, Andover secured a 3-1 victory.

Andover trailed slightly in the beginning at 10-12, but eventually found itself up 24-20. The team had slight difficulty capitalizing on the set point, dropping four consecutive points before winning the set 26-24.

In the second set Andover was once again trailing, but Kade Call '14 and Andra Gusman '14 served the team to a 25-20 victory.

After losing the third set 25-21, Andover looked to rebound in the fourth as it quickly sprung to a 12-3 lead. Wilbraham was unable to reach Andover in time, and Andover took the fourth set by a commanding ten points, along with the match.

Exeter and Wilbraham played out their game immediately after, putting a halt to any of Andover's momentum and leading to a slow start its match against Exeter. Exeter beat Wilbraham 3-1.

"I think that after the first match, the window between the two definitely caused us to come out very poorly against Exeter, and is probably a lot of the reason why the match slipped away from us," said Anderson.

Careless mistakes and miscommunication saw the score jump to 9-16 in the first set. Suffering from the long break, Andover let the first game slip away 16-25.

A small 5-3 lead in the second set looked promising for Andover, but it was quickly swept away 7-9 to 9-16. Exeter's strong game kept Andover from regaining the lead, and the score once again mounted to 16-25.

Chernyk said, "Anytime that you are not playing your best volleyball, morale can sink, and it's on us to fight that, and keep playing,"

With the match on the line Andover surged back against Exeter. Although the team still lost 22-25, Andover was able to perform closer to its standards in the final set.

"At times I felt that our energy level was abysmal, and we need to pick that up. Though Wilbraham had a pretty athletic team, their skills were very unpolished, and we were able to take advantage of that. Exeter played with a lot of energy; they played like they wanted to win," said Chernyk.

Andover will face Choate and NMH at home on Saturday.

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Alex Kwon '14 helped serve Andover to victory over Wilbraham.

5/2/14

Andover Seals Two-Point Victory Over Choate

By Viraj Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

[illegible]	3
Choate	2
Andover	0
NMH	2
Andover	3
Central Catholic	2

Despite losing middle hitter David Yoon '14 to injury, Andover Boys Volleyball won two of its three games this past week.

On Saturday, Andover dropped two of the first three sets, 25-20 and 25-21, to get off to a rocky start against Choate. Andover had previously swept Choate 3-0 on April 19.

With Andover down 2-1, Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14 went on a spiking spree, forcing Choate to spend most of its time diving to dig balls. Tamkin's prowess closed the set at 25-19 in Andover's favor.

Andover then went on to take the fifth set and the victory 16-14.

"It came down to us playing the game at our tempo; we were playing Choate Volleyball at Choate. It was a nail-biter, but I think it was our game all along, and it was just a matter of whether or not we let our mistakes defeat us," wrote Achindra Krishna '15 in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Andover could not continue its momentum against Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH). The team only scored 15 points in its first set loss.

"I think missing our middle blocker [Yoon], a crucial element of our team, made the game against NMH much harder," wrote Krishna. "Yoon is no doubt a positive influence on the team's energy. He's always out there cheering at the top of his lungs, and it inevitably helps us all. Communication in general wasn't as good as it should have been, and a lot of our strong outside hits (which we use as our source of energy) were stuffed by blocks."

Andover went on to lose the second set 25-10.

Andover recovered against Central Catholic with a 3-2 victory. Andover won its first, third and fifth sets.

After losing the second set 25-23, Andover maintained a lead throughout the third set.

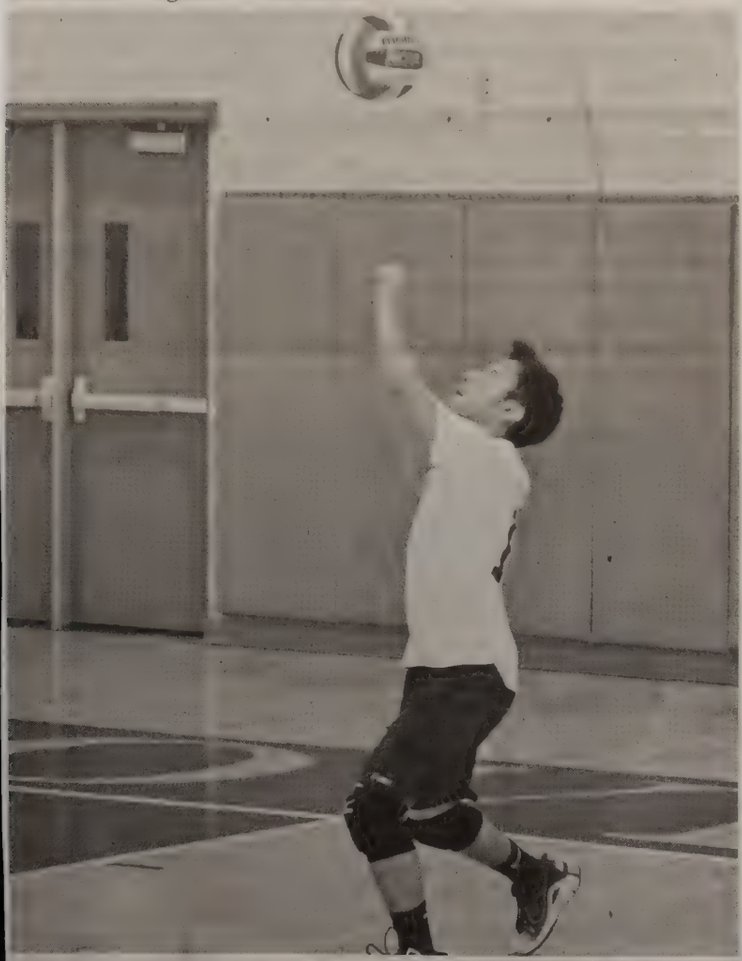
Blocks from Krishna and Brendan Deorocki '15 kept hard Central Catholic spikes from crossing the net.

With an 8-2 lead in the third set, Andover brought its tally to 16 with the help of blocks and spikes from Tamkin.

Despite a 12-8 lead in the fourth set, a few inaccurate spikes led to Andover's 25-21 set loss.

In the deciding set, Andover broke out to an early 9-3 lead and finished strong at 15-8.

With two more wins under its belt, Andover will face Wilbraham and Phillips Exeter Academy away on Saturday.



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Co-Captain Ji Tae Park '14 is the team's starting libero. 5/9/14

Andover Takes on NMH in Close Third-Encounter

By Viraj Kumar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover
NMH

Andover Boys Volleyball exited in the first round of the Founding Four Tournament on Saturday. The team fell in a nail-biting 3-2 match to Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) to conclude its season.

Andover began the game on strong note with a 5-3 lead. The lead, however, turned into 25-17 NMH set victory with eight unanswered NMH points.

Though Andover lost the first set, the team took the second set 28-26 with the help of blocks from Brendan Deorocki '15 and spikes from Co-Captain Alex Tamkin '14.

"If we do get a lead, everyone starts expecting the ball and people stop calling for it and people stop moving. When our communication turns into excitement, it can become very chaotic," said Austin Tuan '17.

After back-and-forth play in the third set, Andover established a 19-15 lead that it would never look back on. Andover went on to win the set 25-16.

With the score 2-1 in Andover's favor, NMH went back to work. NMH jumped out to an early 12-3 and took the set 25-19.

"We did not attack the ball hard enough, and NMH could set the ball up into the middle and set themselves up," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

With the season on the line, Andover and NMH entered the final set of their match. The results, unfortunately, did not fall in Andover's favor.

"Overall we played really well, but there were these little holes that the other team was very good at finding. I just think that we were not able to adapt quickly enough to cover those places that we were unable to cover," said Tuan.

Despite an early 8-6 lead, Andover fell into a slump and was unable to recover. NMH won the set 15-12 and the match 3-2.

"If we do well in the beginning, the energy level and the level of playing just drops in the middle, and I think it's one of the reasons why we have lost so many games," said Tuan.

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Including the loss to NMH in the tournament, Andover finished its season with a 3-6 record.

With Andover out of the tournament, Choate defeated Phillips Exeter Academy 3-1 in its semi-finals match. NMH went on to beat Choate 3-1 in the finals.

Despite a disappointing end to its season, Andover will immediately look forward to rebuilding the team next year.

"We are losing six people, but we will have a decent line-up with someone in every position. There are some JV players that look promising in terms of filling in for middle," said Beckwith.

5/23/14

Sport: Girls Water Polo

Year: 2014

Captain: Lauren Conte & Kaitlin Simpson

Coach: Dan O'Shea

SEASON RECORD

WON 9 LOST 6 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Al-Mayahi, Sarah
Bhakta, Alisa
Conte, Lauren
Dear, AnnaMaria
Faller, Joseph
Fanikos, Peter
Feder, Catalina
Gaba, Harshita
Hagler, Michaela
Im, Claire
Livingston, Eden
Newton, Sasha
Norris, Kelsey
Powers, Jennifer
Rodriguez Pagano, Alexa
Rooney, Morgan
Sambuco, Sloane
Simpson, Kaitlin
Torabi, Corinna
Xia, Kelly

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Girls Varsity Water Polo
2014 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Hometown
1	Powers, Jennifer	2014	Saratoga Springs, NY
1A	Feder, Catalina	2015	Cold Spring Harbor, NY
2	Torabi, Corinna	2014	North Andover, MA
3	Al-Mayahi, Sarah	2017	Lynnfield, MA
4	Xia, Kelly	2015	Weston, MA
5	Simpson, Kaitlin*	2014	Beaconsfield, QC, CAN
6/1B	Dear, AnnaMaria	2016	Lawndale, CA
7	Sambuco, Sloane	2016	Palm Beach, FL
8	Gaba, Harshita	2014	Fargo, ND
9	Livingston, Eden	2015	Houston, TX
10	Bhakta, Alisa	2016	Irvine, CA
11	Hagler, Michaela	2016	Andover, MA
12	Im, Claire	2015	Seoul, KOR
14	Norris, Kelsey	2016	Salem, NH
15	Rooney, Morgan	2017	Duluth, MN
16	Conte, Lauren*	2014	Methuen, MA
17	Newton, Sasha	2016	Lafayette, CA
18	Rodriguez Pagano, Alexa	2016	New York, NY

**Captains*

Coach: Dan O'Shea
Assistant Coach: Jill Kozloff

Managers: Joseph Faller '14, Peter Fanikos '14, Elliot Sagay '15

Girls Waterpolo
Schedule and Record

5-1-0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	SITE	TYPE	SCORE
4/5 @ 2:30 PM	Williston/Loomis		Game	PA 13, WNH 4 | PA 6, LC 7
4/9 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter		Game	L PA 9, PEA 10
4/12 @ 4:00 PM	Williston Northhampton	H	Game	CANCELED
4/16 @ 3:00 PM	Suffield	H	Game	W PA 16, SA 10
4/19 @ 1:00 PM	Deerfield		Game	W PA 12, DA 9
5/3 @ 4:30 PM	Loomis/Choate		Game	W PA 14, LC 3 | PA 6, CRH 4
5/7 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W PA 10, PEA 6
5/10 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield/Hopkins		Game	PA 13, DA 5 | PA 7, HOP 8
5/17 @ 11:30 AM	NEPSAC Championship Tournament		Game	W PA 12, HOP 10 | PA 8, CRH 7

NEPSAC Championship Tournament 5/17/2014
Away Game - PA 12, HOP 10 | PA 8, CRH 7

No.3 Ranked Phillips Andover wins Girls Water Polo NE Championship!

After finishing the regular season with a record of 7 wins and 3 losses. #3 PA went to the NEPSAC Championship Tournament for its third straight year. After beating #2 ranked Hopkins School in the semi-finals, PA went on to face #4 ranked Choate Rosemary Hall. In an exciting game that saw PA down by two goals early in the match up, PA rallied and in the 4th quarter pulled ahead by 1 goal with just :20 on the clock, and sealed the 2014 New England Championship!

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Kait Simpson '14

GIRLS WATERPOLO

In the pool for Girls Waterpolo, Co-Captain Kaitlin Simpson '14 figures to be an important part of this year's team. Former teammate Gina Soutendijk '15 remembers Simpson as a leader for the team in and out of the pool. With her ability to dominate the competition, she was an example to follow during games, but it was her humble demeanor in spite of her talent endeared her to teammates when the goggles and swimming caps came off. Committed to Tulane University, a Division 1 school, the bi-varsity swimmer should help to repeat last year's successful season and continue to turn heads in the pool.

GWOPO

Going for Gold: Bid For 1st

By Kailash Sundaram
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS MEDIA EDITOR

Andover Girls Water Polo will look to come home with the top spot this year after finishing second at the New England Championships.

"Going into the season, we're expecting to do pretty well. I think we have a good chance of winning the New England tournament," said Kay Xia '15, a returner.

The team finished last year with a 6-2 record. Both the team's losses came on the same day against Deerfield and Hopkins.

"Most of our more competitive rival teams lost a lot of Seniors or key players. Hopkins will probably be our biggest competition this year," said Xia.

After graduating formidable players in Co-Captains Amelia Danovitch '13 and Julia Smalcho '13, Andover will look to its returners to step up. Returning players include Co-Captains Lauren Conte '14 and Kaitlin Simpson '14, as well as Corinna Torabi '14 and Eden Livingston '15.

"Both of [our Co-Captains] are very enthusiastic and strong players," said Xia.

This year was the first year the team made cuts to select the final roster.

"We had about 27 people trying out, which is the most we've ever had, I think. Our finalized team has 20 players," said Xia.

Andover will face off against Williston, Loomis and Exeter on April 5.

GIRLS
WATERPOLO

Andover Falls to Top-Ranked Exeter

By Paul McGovern
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	13
Williston	4

Andover	6
Loomis	7

Andover	9
Exeter	10

Shrugging off three aggressive members of Phillips Exeter Academy's defense, Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14 powered through the wthe competitor's goal, propelling Andover Girls Water Polo ahead in its tight game against Exeter on Wednesday.

Andover and Exeter, ranked second and first in the league respectively, battled neck-and-neck for victory. Ultimately, Exeter pulled ahead in the final quarter for a 10-9 victory. The loss followed a double-header against Williston and Loomis on Saturday, where Andover went 13-4 and 6-7 in two three-minute overtime sessions, respectively.

"Exeter is a really tough team both offensively and defensively. They create a heavy press, and they are very strong when it comes to fast breaks for the ball," said Alexa Pagano '16.

"That last quarter, it was we-scored-they-scored until the very end," said Eden Livingston '15, who braved the pool with a sprained ankle. "They just got one more goal."

Highlights of the game included a resilient performance from Simpson, who fielded off swarms of defenders multiple times and found the net for more than half the team's goals. In a crucial tying point, Livingston executed a clean breakaway, passing the ball over two defenders to Co-Captain Lauren Conte '14 who broke through a wall of defenders and gave Corinna Torabi '14 an open shot on the goal.

Livingston attributed the loss to hesitation from the team, but remains optimistic.

"We can take on Exeter again," said Livingston. "We just need to be more aggressive."

4/11/14

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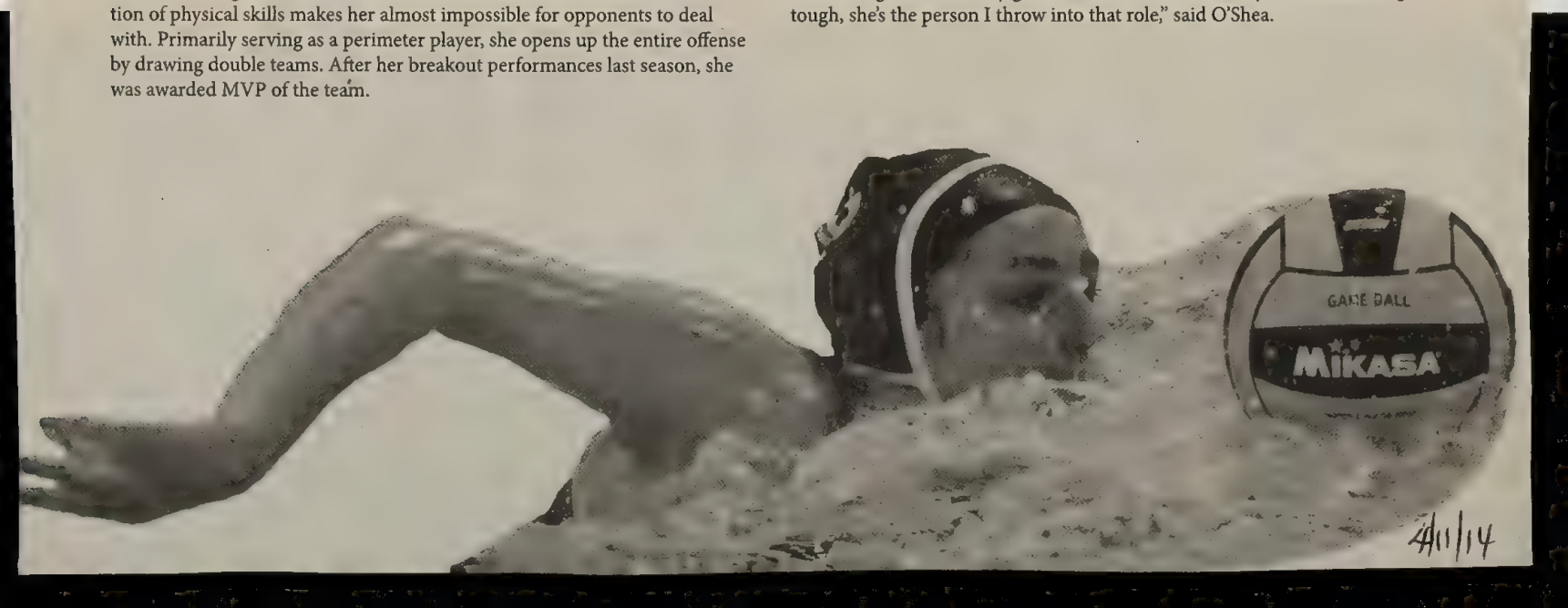
Kait Simpson '14 (Left) and Lauren Conte '14 (Right).

Kait Simpson '14

"She's just a beast," said O'Shea. Playing for the first time last year, Simpson immediately took to Water Polo and established herself as a force on the team. A powerhouse on offense and defense, Simpson was the third highest goal-scorer with 20 goals in nine games, posting 54 steals at the same time. A veteran of Andover Girls Swimming alongside Conte, Simpson's speed allows her not only to apply relentless pressure on defense, but also to convert her steals into goals on transitions. Coach O'Shea noted that her combination of physical skills makes her almost impossible for opponents to deal with. Primarily serving as a perimeter player, she opens up the entire offense by drawing double teams. After her breakout performances last season, she was awarded MVP of the team.

Lauren Conte '14

Conte, who joined the team her Lower year, brings valuable experience and leadership to this talented group of girls. Her deep understanding of the game allows her to direct players around the pool and serve almost as a third coach for the team. Conte's best asset is her versatility in the water, according to O'Shea, but his favorite talent of hers is her strength as a lockdown defender, someone assigned to take the opponent's most dangerous weapon out of the game. "She's my go-to. When I need somebody to do something tough, she's the person I throw into that role," said O'Shea.



GIRLS WATERPOLO

Crushing Win Avenges Previous Loss

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Andover Girls Water Polo sank Suffield in a 16-10 win, moving its record to 2-1.

Many Andover players put up points on the scoresheet including Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14, Co-Captain Lauren Conte '14, Sasha Newton '16, Kelly Xia '16 and Corinna Torabi '14 who had upwards of four.

Despite the overwhelming scoreline, Suffield did threaten Andover's lead at some points in the game. One player in particular consistently found Andover's weak spot as she lobbed shots into the goal from seven or eight meters out, recording the majority of Suffield's points.

Eden Livingston '15 said, "We weren't very good at defending way outside the five meters and our goalie wasn't used to it. We didn't adapt, making it closer than it should have been."

On Saturday Andover will travel to Deerfield where it hopes to gain a similar outcome as from the Suffield game.

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Sasha Newton '16 scored in Andover's 16-10 victory over Suffield.

GIRLS WATERPOLO

Simpson Tallies Five in Deerfield Victory

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Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14 once again shone as the team's star attacker in Andover Girls Water Polo's 12-9 victory over Deerfield last Saturday.

With five goals on just seven shots, Simpson led the scoring sheet, followed closely by Sasha Newton '16, who tallied three goals of her own.

"We played some really strong offense. We're really starting to get our spacial awareness together and see each other. There was some awesome passing and movement to lead into a lot of our goals," said Simpson.

After Andover took an early lead, Coach Dan O'Shea was able to get all of his players involved.

"A lot of newer players had a chance to get playing time and score goals," said Kay Xia '15.

Simpson added, "It was exciting because every player got to play, and we saw some great stuff from our newcomers."

At times, Andover was victim to defensive lapses, but was able to maintain a suffocating offensive push.

"We were pretty strong everywhere. We have to work on our defensive tactics a little bit, and we're going to learn some more complicated offensive plays, too," said Simpson.

Andover has plenty of time to rework tactics before its next game. A two-week period separates the Deerfield game and a double-header against Loomis Chaffee and Choate on May 3.

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Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14 tallied five of Andover's 12 goals.

Revenge Against Exeter Caps Off Win Streak

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"Every single teammate was able to play and contribute to this win. Our offense was very successful, with accurate passing and shooting. Even after the starting lineup was out of the pool, we continued to shut down Loomis, which proved the depth of our bench and the strength of our defense," said Conte.

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Both sides boasted strong defenses, leading to a low-scoring game. Undaunted, Andover shot out to a quick lead which it never relinquished. Andover's defense stepped up, recording 24 steals, and its offense outshot Choate 2-1.

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7-1 Record Sparks Playoff Hopes

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"[O'Shea] is a phenomenal coach, and these games just showed how much we've improved in four weeks," said Simpson.

Another opportunity for revenge came in the form of last Wednesday's clash with Exeter, in which Andover narrowly lost 10-9 in the third game of the season.

This time Andover claimed home-advantage and had an invaluable opportunity to tarnish Exeter's undefeated record.

On Wednesday, Andover was dominant throughout, and came out with a 10-6 victory. The Exeter defenders were unable to stop Simpson, who was unrelenting with goals. The team was once again aided by Powers in goal.

"[Powers] was unreal today. She had a million amazing blocks and saves," said Rooney.

The match was the last home game for Andover's Seniors, adding a sentimental aspect that increased the significance of the win.

"Coming out with that win there were a lot of emotions, and I'm so psyched to see what this team will do at the playoff tournament next weekend. I've got my eyes set on winning the New England Championship, and I really think it's in our reach now especially after [Wednesday's] victory," said Simpson. 5/9/14

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Catalina Fader '15 winds up.

Girls Water Polo defeated Hopkins in the Semifinals after losing 8-7 the previous Saturday.

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Late Goal by Newton Caps Victory

By Howard Johnson
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The odds were stacked against third-seeded Andover Girls Water Polo as the team entered the New England Championships last weekend. In the semi-finals, Andover would square off against the second-seeded Hopkins, a team that beat Andover in an overtime thriller the previous weekend. Then if Andover advanced to the finals, it would need to beat either Choate, with the league's best goalie, or Phillips Exeter Academy, the team that delivered Andover's first loss.

Despite these obstacles, last Saturday, Andover redeemed itself after falling to Deerfield 8-2 in the finals last year, reclaiming the championship trophy.

Particularly intimidating after its 8-7 victory over Andover, Hopkins pulled out to an early 2-0 lead in the semifinals. Andover fought back, however, and tied the game 2-2.

Co-Captain Lauren Conte '14 said, "Instead of getting frustrated, we played the best and smartest we have all season, coming back at them with full force."

Hopkins failed to respond to Andover's double teaming and Andover began to shut down their strongest players. As Andover gained momentum, a 10-5 lead gave Andover the opportunity to rest the starters for the Championship game. Andover held on for the 12-10 win, once again demonstrating its extreme depth.

The win was a not only significant improvement from last week, but also from last year's semifinal match in which Andover barely eked out a 7-6 victory over Hopkins.

In the Championship game, Andover faced fourth-ranked Choate, which had just beaten Exeter, the first-seeded host, 5-4.

Choate had a much different

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playing style from that of the choppy, aggressive Hopkins team. Playing fairly and calmly, Choate quickly set up a high-intensity match.

"Being in the game, you could really feel how much we wanted this, and I really wanted it personally for every Senior on the team," said Morgan Rooney '17.

The game was a fight till the bitter end, with Choate's goalie showing no signs of breaking down in net. Although Andover came out with a 6-4 win over Choate two weeks earlier, Coach Dan O'Shea described the Choate goalie as "the most talented goalie I've seen in a long time."

Unperturbed, the Andover squad kept firing, pounding the Choate goalie with a myriad of shots. The game came down to the final minute in the fourth quarter, tied at 7-7.

With 20 seconds left on the clock, Sasha Newton '16 fired a lob shot past the goalie and into the net, clinching the game for Andover and giving it the perfect ending for the challenges it had faced.

It was bliss once the buzzer sounded and the Andover team and crowd erupted into cheers.

"We all just jumped in, screaming and crying and just so pumped. I love this team. The girls, especially the Seniors, the Captains and the Coaches really deserved this win and I was happy to contribute and be a part of it," said Rooney.

Co-Captain Kait Simpson '14 said, "Winning this was definitely one of the best moments in my Andover career. This was such a team effort, and I can say honestly that this is one of my favorite teams that I've ever been on in my life. Everybody was so close; the chemistry was incredible, especially the way we worked together in the water."

Following the tournament, Simpson was named the NEPSAC league MVP, and Conte and Sasha were named to the All-Star team.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Sasha Newton '16

WATER POLO

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Equipped with a blistering throw and an eye for goal, Sasha Newton '16 has been a mainstay for the Andover Girls Water Polo this season. The Lower from California scored the winning goal in Andover's Championship 8-7 win over Choate on Saturday.

Newton has notched an impressive tally of 39 goals in 12 games this season, earning herself the position of second-highest goal scorer on the team.

On the defensive end, Newton is second in terms of steals, second only to her team captain Kate Simpson '14.

After starting out the season as a staunch whole-set defender, Newton gradually transitioned to a prolific offensive machine as a whole-set attacker.

"I guess I'm not afraid to shoot. I used to be afraid to shoot, since my offensive career as a water polo player is somewhat new to me. For the most part, I've always been a defensive water polo player on my club team," said Newton.

The aforementioned club team that Sasha plays for is 680 Water Polo, a team based in California, the hub of water polo in the United States.

A swimmer for most of her life, Newton was introduced to water polo purely by chance after a flyer caught her attention after a swim meet. Following her first taste of the hectic sport, Newton was immediately hooked.

Upon acceptance to Andover in 2012, Newton knew that she would play water polo at Andover. Newton has been one of the team's strongest contributors for the past two seasons.

Newton greatly appreciates the passionate energy and dynamic that the team shares in and out of the water. She also praises the team's coach Dan O'Shea along with the Seniors for their leadership and encouragement.

"Sasha is more of a force than anything else. She was always aggressive from the onset, always on the ball, always looking to help out and always encouraging her teammates to make good plays. She jumped right into a leadership role, pretty much from the moment she first got in the pool. I'd say her leadership role is by far her biggest attribute."

With such an impressive track record, Newton guided the Girls Water Polo team to yet another NEPSAC Water Polo Championship. With her at the helm, the team is sure to enjoy future success.

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